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TO THE
~~same reader by the said author~~
READER.

Courteous Reader,

THE truth I had
in the former
Editions of this Book
the desire of a Proprietary
A Z B

To the Reader.

Book in this Volume, was the first motive that made me gather some Prayers out of divers Mens Works, which were either not common, or out of Print; and to get some Godly Ministers of mine acquaintance, and so make up this Book of Crums, which I therefore first so called, of the manner of gathering.

To the Reader.

tbering. And being de-
sirous to keep the Ti-
tle and Manner of the
Book, because I see it
is well accepted of some
good People, now to
thy Forty One Edition,
I have obtained of a
good Friend the Revi-
sing and Correcting of
it in many things ; who
because of the Title,
hath thought fit to
place in some of the first

A 3 Leafs,

To the Reader.

Leads; certain passages
of Scriptures, by which
example thou mayst ga-
ther more for like occa-
sion, and for which it
may more justly bear
the name, The Crums
of Comfort; to whom
I have also been behol-
den for some special
Prayers and Thank-
givings. And though
before I used the letters
of their names, out of
whose

To the Reader.

whose Writings I had collected some of the Prayers; yet now, lest any offence should be taken, I forbear, wishing thy true good and comfort in this, and all thou readest; and rest,

Thine in the Lord,

M. S.

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What Prayer is.

Praying is a serious lifting up of our hearts unto God, in the Name of Christ Jesus, either to crave needful things, or to give thanks for things received.

What time we are to take for Prayer.

WE ought always to pray, at least three times a day : In the

A $\frac{1}{2}$. Morn-

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Morning, at Noon, and at Night. There are three special occasions for it: The entrance upon the days calling; the receiving of God's creatures for our enabling; going to rest after our travel. Look back in these, how God hath preserved, provided, & blessed us; and they are answerable occasions of praise. See Dan. 10. and Psal. 55. 17. even
evening and morning, and at noon, will I praise thee. And in Ps. 119. 164. Seven times in day do I praise thee. And more the Apostle in 1 Thes. 5. 17. faith Pray continually. And v. 18. In all things give

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First, prepare thy heart, then
seek the Lord by Prayer.

3 If thou art to come before a King, or great Person, thou wilt consider for what thou comest to him; and wilt order thy self, in behaviour, apparel, and words, and frame thy self to all dutiful reverence and seemliness: Much more order thy self to come before thy Glorious Creator, the King of Kings.

Ecclesiastes 5:2. Beware also with thy mouth, and let not thy heart be hasty to utter any thing before God: for God is

*Counsels of
in the Heavens, and thou art
on the Earth, therefore let
thy words be few.*

*What gesture we are to use
in Prayer.*

THE most decent, & fittest gesture is kneeling, and looking up to Heaven, especially when we desire mercy, grace or any blessing to come down upon us ; gromeling or looking downwards to the Earth, when we remember and bewail our sinful life past.
Act 7. 160.

Yet any decent gesture may be used, so it become-
ly, and serve for our furthe-
rance in devotion, or better
ex-

Comfort.

expressing our affections. It may be either in going, standing, sitting, or lying.

We may pray also either with voice, as David in his Psalms; or in silence, as Moses and Nehemiah.

Besides our most special Devotions at set times; we may use Ejaculations at all times upon every occasion; which are short desires of the heart lifted up to God with great fervency.

Why God sometimes doth not bear our Prayers.

Sirst because sometimes we do ask we know not what. *Mar. 20. 22.*

Jesus

Causes of

Jesus answered and said, Ye ask ye know not what. The things may be good, but not good or fit for us.

Another reason, because we ask amiss. *James 4. 2.*
To ask and receive not, because ye ask amiss; that ye may lay out the same upon your pleasures.

God doth also defer sometimes in that which he will hear, and delays granting what we desire, that he may the more stir up our *Faith* and *Hope*, and make us more careful and diligent to pray; and that we may the better esteem his *Gifts* when we have them, and shew our selves more

Comfort.

more thankful and obedient unto him for them.



*In thy Preparation consider
thy vocation to be,*

First, truly humbled in thy self in sight of thy sins, and sense of the occasions of thy Prayer.

2. To be raised upon some comfortable assurance of God's mercy in pardoning thy sins, and of his favour to hear and help thee thro' Jesus Christ.

Jam. 4. 10. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will raise you up.

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THESE ARE THE CYCLES OF PRAYER.

A good means to help us in preparation, and to stir us up to Prayer, would be,

First, a pious consideration of the greatness, and goodness of our heavenly Father.

Secondly, a sense of our own unability to crave of God his holy Spirit to assist us in our Prayers.

Thirdly, the present reading, or serious (though brief) meditating on some such part of God's Word, as either makes for our Humiliation or Faith, or may come nearer, or concern, the

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the special occasion of our
Prayers.

Alms and Fastings are
good means to further our
private Devotions as well
as the more publickly we
may see Acts 10. 31.

Some special passages of God's
Word gathered up, where-
with the poor Soul that is
not more able to probability
his own skill, or hath not al-
ways at hand better store,
may pick some comfort
gather some strength.

FOR Hammarby
sight of thine own
sin meditate on these and
such like places.

John

Chorus of

*John 9. I. God loveth
not sinners.*

*Prov. 3:14. Because I have
call'd and ye refused, I have
stomach'd out my hand, and
overlooked.*

*Vers. 28. Then they shall
call upon me, but I will not
answer: They shall seek me
early, but they shall not find
me.*

*Isa. I, 14, 15. Bring no
more oblations in vain. When
you shall stretch out your
hands, I will hide mine eyes
from you; and though you
make many Prayers, I will
not hear; for your hands are
full of blood.*

*To
end*

Comfort.

TO help the Repen-
tant's faith, by the
mercy and grace of God
in Christ, meditate on these
and such like places.

1 John 2.1. These things I
write unto you, that you sin
not, and if any man sin, we
have an Advocate with the
Father, Jesus Christ the
Righteous, and he is the prop-
itiation for our sins.

Isa. 1.16. Wash you, make
you clean, take away the evil
of your works from before
mine eyes, cease to do evil,
learn to do well. Come now
let us reason, &c.

1 Cor.

Counsels

I Cor. 6. 11. Such were some of you, but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

Rom. 8. 33, 34. Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's chosen? It is God that justifieth, who shall condemn?

Heb. 10. 22. Let us draw near with a true heart; in assurance of faith, our hearts being pure from an evil conscience.

I Joh. 5. 14, 15. And this is that assurance that we have in him, that if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us. And if we know

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know that he heareth us; whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions which we have desired of him.

Mat. 11. 28. Come unto me all ye that are weary and laden, and I will ease you.

Psal. 50. 15. Call upon me in the day of trouble, so will I deliver thee, and thou shalt glorifie me.

Eccles. 7. 14. In the day of affliction consider.

Heb. 12. 20. He chasteneth us for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness.

Vers. 11. Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous, but after-

Counsels of

*afterwards it bringeth the
quiet fruit of righteousness,
unto them which are thereby
exercised.*

*James 1. 4. Let patience
have her perfect work, that
ye may be perfect and entire,
lacking nothing.*

*Psalm 126. 5. They that
sow in tears shall reap in joy.*

*Rom. 15. 4. Whatsoever
was written aforetime, was
written for our learning, that
by patience and comfort of
the Scripture, we might
have hope.*

*Rom. 8. 36. The Spirit
bulpeth our infirmities: for
we know not how to pray as
we ought, but the Spirit it
self maketh request for us,*

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with sighs that cannot be ex-
pressed. And unto every one

Gal. 4. 6. God hath sent
forth the Spirit of his Son in-
to your hearts, which crieth
Abba, Father.

Holy Sentences containing
useful matter for medita-
tion.

I **F**irst, in the multitude
of the sorrows of
my heart, thy Comforts
have refreshed my Soul.

2. Be not dismayed, having
nothing, be thou the
servant of God, and thou
hast more than the Lord
of the Earth in their great
possession.

3. If

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3. If thou beeſt truly
godly, thou ſhalt never
fall into extreme misery.

4. Godliſeſt brings con-
tentation, and being con-
tent, thy wealth exceeds
the Treasures of the migh-
ty.

5. Earthly Jewels are as
Chaff or Duff, for Riches
fly away with the wings of
the wind, but the Graces of
the Spirit remain for ever.

6. Wouloſt thou have
thy Children thrive after
thee, & leave them a good
Estate? look not to thy
Cheſts, or Bags, or Store
of Land which thou haſt to
leave them; but be thou
Vertuous, Godly, and Re-
ligious.

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ligious, and God will be the bringer up of thy Children, and prepare a Portion for them.

7. True blessedness doth not consist in great wealth, but they which hunger after Righteousness shall be satisfied.

8. *Lazarus* went from Poverty to Riches, and *Dives* from Riches to Poverty.

9. Howl ye rich Men, for the Canker and rust of your Gold and Silver shall one day witness against you.

10. Godliness begins with Wants, Sorrows, Sadness, Stings of Conscience,

Crumbs of

science, Losses, Poverty
Affliction of Soul, dejection
of Spirit, Penitency for
Sins ; These be the Har-
bingers of Heaven.

11. The rich hath pleasure, the poor pain, in this World : But the rich are tormented, and the poor comforted in the World to come.

12. My son, take heed to thy own heart. For thy heart is deceitful, and may well be called the great Impostor of the World.

13. The righteous find the way sooner to Heaven in Prison, than the Prince in his Palace.

14. Never fear what God

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God doth against thee, but rather be afraid what thou dost against God.

15. Crosses to the Godly reclaim them, Crosses to the wicked consume them.

16. Persecutions in their own natures are curses, but if we put them to the best use, they are blessings: For through the Valley of Tears, we come to the Hill of Joy.

17. He that will not seek God in prosperity, the Lord will not be found of him in adversity; for how can we look that GOD should save us, if we do not serve him.

18. Make not Religion

Crumbs of

**the Cloak and Colour for
deceit: For then thou will
find thy self deceived, and
God will disappoint thy
presumption.**

**19. The Law of nature
concurs with the Law of
God. *Do to all as thou
wouldest be dealt withal,*
and then thou maist ex-
pect a blessing upon all
thou takest in hand.**

**20. As one Lamp lights
many, and gives ten times
more than it hath itself,
and loseth none of its own
light, so one godly man by
his good example, makes
many more, always main-
taining good to himself,
and assisting others.**

21. If

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21. If thou be so sinful a sinner as not to think of sin and of thy Death, and Resurrection; Remember thy own Conscience shall at last accuse thee: For as a man dies, and worms are bred in the dead car-kass to consume it; so the worm of thy Conscience shall come to testify against thee at the last day.

22. When thou art ready to commit a sin, think God stands before thee to persuade thee from it, the Devil behind thee to drive thee to it; thy own Conscience in the midst to terrifie thee after it: the Heaven above to witness

B 3 against

Counsels of

against it; the earth below
to swallow thee for it,
therefore pray steadfastly
that thou mayst be deliv-
ered from it.

23. Consider the Flower
of the field, how it flouri-
sheth in the Spring, and
dieth in the Winter, and
yet riseth to its former
lustre; so remember thy
life, thy death, and lastly
thy Resurrection.

24. Wheresoever thou
goest, ridest, & remainest,
if thou be alone, take one
of these Companions to
thee, either thy *Prayer-*
Book or thy *Bible*; good
thoughts, or charitable
works: for these four are
the

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the fittest Companions
thou canst have to be with
thee in any occasion
whatsoever.

Let thy Prayer be thus
Framed.

First confess thy sins.
Secondly, Crave Faith.
Thirdly, Desire Repen-
tance.

Fourthly, Perseverance
in good.

Fifthly, Directions for a
good life.

Sixtly, for the Church
and Family.

Seventhly, Thanksgiving
for all benefits received.

The Readers Prayer for the
right use of this, or some
other help of Devotion.

MOST gracious Lord, which knowest the grievous sins and manifold infirmities of thy poor and unworthy servant, give me access unto thy Throne of Grace by Christ Jesus, and grant that whatsoever I ask of thee may be to the Glory of thy Name, the good of thy People, comfort and salvation of mine own Soul. Also grant me so to make use of this and other helps

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helps of Devotion, that is
and by them I may chief-
ly seek for, and stir up the
grace of thy holy Spirit,
whereby I may in heart
cry *Abba Father*, to thy
Heavenly Majesty, that
so thou mayst look on me
as thy Child, and pour on
me thy grace, whereby I
may be enabled to shew
myself thy Servant here,
and be accepted among
thy Children in Heaven,
through Christ Jesus, *A-*
men.

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Prayers



PRAYERS

AND

MEDITATIONS.

*A Morning Prayer at our
first rising from sleep.*

12

O Heavenly Father, of all Light, the true Sun shine, so open my heart with this the opening of my eyes, that it may still be so fixed on thee, that this day, and all

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all the rest of my life, I
may find comfort and
consolation in thee: And
grant most merciful Fa-
ther; as thou hast been
my keeper this Night, for
which I gave the most
humble & hearty thanks,
so thou mayest be my Gui-
der and comfort this day,
and all the days of my life.
Grant this, good God
and merciful Father for
Jesus Christ his sake our
Lord and Saviour, we in-
treat thee in that Prayer
thou hast taught us.

*Our Father which art in
Heaven, &c.*

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Blessed be the Lord
Matthew Morning Prayer
22.11.1700. From John
Hofmann Co.
To my Loving Father
I heartily thank thee for
all thy loving kindness
and thy former command
to me before Election
of thy Redemptor
and his Vocation. I will
ever be sufficient for
thy Preservation. So
far as I am attured and
my comfortable hope
which thou hast given me
of thy glorification in the
world. To God we praise
thy gracious goodness for
mercifully preserving us
thus.

abundant might and defend
us from all evil;—
both of Soul and Body.—
that thou hast prepared
for us a comfortable rest
and here at this time
brought us to the
beginning of this day.—
that thou hast safely brought
us unto this present
from all dangers.—
Life; to we be enabled
to go up thine this day
towards us this day,
whole course of
Suffering do not let
Intermission of
be done us
and weredness
with him in the same
Spirit.

Lord, we thank thee for the
many mercies thou hast
bestowed upon us; we beseech
thee to continue thy goodness
unto us, and to give us a
right understanding of thy word,
and a true knowledge of thyself.
We beseech thee to accept
of our sincere thanks for
all thy goodness to us, and
to receive our offering of
praise before thy throne.

Prayer made and taught by
Bishop John Manning, &c

O Lord God Help
thy people, who
are thy

→
The Lord speaketh unto me,
saying, Go to the great city, which
is called Babylon, and build thee
a house there; and set thy seat
there: for I will surely bring
thee thither again to rest in it.
Also say thou unto the children
of thy people, that they may
not be afraid of the faces of the
sons of Babylon, for I will
be with thee, saith the Lord,
to keep thy life: for I will
take thee out of their hands,
and deliver thee out of their
power; and I will judge
thee, and give thee
the inheritance of thy fathers:
I will also comfort thee
in all thy afflictions.

24 And he said,
To that purpose (O Lord)
I have thy commandments
in my heart by help of
thy grace.
25 And I have told
unto my people
the commandments
of thy righteousness
and thy judgments
and thy whole counsel
of perfectness
in thy law.

16 O Lord

I thank thee

Creator of the world

Thou art great and mighty

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provided for our passage
and to make them fit for
our own use. We have
much of them we may
be quickened or made
wise and able to serve the
Lord. O Lord increase
the love of thy power
in our bodies, our
minds and our affec-
tions. Draw us also
unto gathering of thy
people. That we may
have a common cause
and a common end.
That we may
holy fit to serve
THEE and EVER,
thy people before
we come bring us to
thee where we shall
ever be. AMEN.

Melancholy
is a stronger & more
bitterly sensible disease
than Grief or Sorrow.
God has made us more
sensitive to pain than to
the sense of loss. — 1.

Adoration
O happy people,
and blessed,
enow'd with virtue,
and possessed of
a clear knowledge
of all that is
good. — 2.

Prayers and

thy holy Word, and grace
(O Lord God) that as we
have been mindful of us,
Satisfying our hunger, and
Supplying our want, we
may be mindful of our poor
brethren, affording them
such comforts as our ability
and we can perform. And that
we may still enjoy these
these temporal and spiritual
blessings, we pray thee.
Continue thy goodness to-
wards us; keep and defend
thy church with every part
and member of the same;
Preserve Peace in this
Land and help thy diffi-
cult people; and such an
honored record of thy Com-
mandments. We beseech thee for
courage

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cour all poor People, and
such as be in want. Reple-
nith the sad heart with joy,
release the prisoners, relieve
the Fatherless, and Wi-
dows, & send us also men
grace, that the rich may re-
member the affliction of
Joseph, and the poor be
contented with the portion
which thou hast appointed
that we may all drinke
and thirst after Righteous-
ness, and be satisfied acor-
ding to thy promise. Grant
this (O Lord God) for Je-
sus Christs sake, to whom
with thee, and thy ravelling
Spirit, both now and
evermore, be all thank
praise, and glory. *Amen.*

Prayer Book

An Evening Prayer.

MOST gracious Lord God, my loving Father, we heartily thank thee for all thy love and bounties so abundantly shewed toward us. We beseech thee O thou Great Creator of all creatures, Merciful Voice of creation, on Intercession, Sanctification, Sanctification, continual Preference, entreated for that we may receive and enjoy continual Comfort and hope which thou hast assured us of our Glorification in the world to come. We do beseeche thy glorious goodness to mercifully hear and answer this present day.

day, & deliver me from
peril and danger, both of
body and soul, for I desire
not any thing but to be
keeping me from sin,
death and all dangers.
O my God, I thank thee
very much for this present
Health, Food, Apparel
all other conveniences
peculiar. This is a
good news for me
to see thee (O
continual token
ever) in such a
good condition
on my return
South. I am
completely
Mended and ready

Prayers and

unto thy gracious present by
vation and protection, and no
assurance that that cannot and
perish which is committed transg
unto thee. Keep us this Laws
Night in safety, and grant both i
good Lord, that our bodies indeed
may sleep, and our Souls in an
may watch for the coming conti
of our Saviour, thy Son Iust co
Jesus Christ; that so our be for
Souls and Bodies may be present
more apt and able to serve good
thee in that estate & calling thou
wherein thou hast thought thus
good to place us. We con-put
fess and acknowledge (O dear
merciful God) that we are take
most miserable and wicked s due
Sinners, as well by original sin
corruption of our Nature,

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as by the course of our evil
and naughty life, we have
and do daily break and
transgress thy most holy
Laws & Commandments
both in thought, word, and
deed. By the means of this
sin and corruption, we do
continually deserve most
just condemnation, and to
be for ever cast out of thy
presence: Yet such is thy
goodness towards us, that
thou wouldest not suffer us
thus to perish in our sin,
but hast sent thine own
dear Son, Christ Jesus to
bear upon him whatsoever
is due to us, and to recom-
mend and make us one with
thee again. In him there-

C fore,

Prayers and

sore, and through him we
come unto thee, beseech-
ing thee for his sake, that
we feeling the grievous-
ness of our sins, and
groaning under the bur-
then of them, may find thy
release and ease of them
in that we, through the
holy Spirit, steadfastly be-
lieve that Christ hath born
the burden of them even
for us. Grant, O Lord, that
we being assured hereof in
our Consciences, may
through thy holy Spirit be
renewed with more gra-
ces, and hate, detest, and
abhor all manner of Sin,
study to live in all things
according to thy blessed

Will

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Will, during our whole life : grant this (O FATHER) for Jesus Christ his sake. *Amen.*

Lord incrase our faith.

Our Father which art in Heaven, &c.



A Meditation at Midnight;

GRACIOUS Lord, under whose protection we rest; when we awake, give us leave to think of thee, let us in our dreams draw near unto thee, do thou prepare us for thee, and let us never be taken unprovided, but

C 2 (with)

Prayers and

(with the wise Virgins)
ready prepared whensoev-
er thou shalt call us, to
go with thee; and so we
recommend our selves,
and souls, and all unto
thee, through Jesus Christ
our Lord, *Amen.*



*A Morning Prayer for
Servants.*

¶ **O** Most gracious, and
merciful, glorious
and everlasting Father,
which createdst Light and
Darkness: which hast
made all things, and go-
vernest and guidest all
things,

Meditations.

things, I poor, wretched, miserable, and wicked sinner, cast my self down here before thy Glorious Throne, begging, craving, and beseeching thee, even for Christ Jesus sake, to look down upon me, poor and distressed wretch, with pity and compassion, to pardon, forgive and forget all my sins, Actual and Original, Omissions, and Commissions, or whatsoever; All (O Lord God) that I have committed against thee in thought, word, or deed: O pardon them, I beseech thee, bury them in the depth of the Sea, O LORD, open the streams

Prayers and

of thy Mercy, pour down
the showers of thy Grace;
quell the ill imaginations
and wicked thought of my
mind; settle assured Faith
in my Conscience; fill my
heart with thy Heavenly
Graces; grant in all my
Service, I may be thy true
Servant, & so for thee, may
do true Service to my Ma-
ster and Mistris, that in all
duty I may be pleasing, &
acceptable to them; that
with all singleness and sin-
cerity of heart, I may do
all things, and deal up-
rightly in all that I take in
hand, and that at the last
I may hear with comfort
that joyful saying, *Well*

done

Meditations.

done them good and faithful Servant, enter into the rest and joy of thy Heavenly Master : which grant most gracious God, for Jesus Christ his sake. Amen.

Our Father which art in Heaven, &c.



An Evening Prayer for Servants.

21 **O** Lord God, I give thee most hearty thanks for that thou hast granted me grace to pass this day quietly, in doing my duty towards my Ma-

Prayers and

ster ; grant I may pass the
Night in quiet sleep, keep
me (O Lord) set a watch
over me, let thy good An-
gels guard me, and grant
me such sweet & comfor-
table rest, that I may be re-
freshed in the Morning
and made fit to serve and
obey thee; and also to serve
& please my Master in all
uprightness and diligence.
Let me ever be employed
in thy service, and grant
that sleeping and waking I
may be acceptable unto
thee, through Jesus Christ,
in whom I take my rest, &
commend my self, this
House, and all my good
friends, and all my People,
now

Meditations.

now and for ever, to thy gracious and powerful preservation and protection, Amen.

Our Father which art in Heaven, &c.



A Prayer for Children.

22 **O** Eternal God, Creator and Governor of all things, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and in him our gracious Father, we thy poor Children, beseech thee to give us thy Fatherly and Heavens blessing, to take us into thy holy Government, to spend

C S the

Prayers and

the wings of thy protection to stand over us : but first of all we do here confess, that we were conceived in sin and brought forth in iniquity, and by reason of our original corruption drawn from the loins of our Parents we are apt to every thing that is evil, averse to any thing that is good. Being now in the beginning of our days, we are ready to begin to sin and now in our tender years are strong enough to act wickedness : Here therefore do we prostrate our selves before thee, with this Humble Petition, that thou wouldest be pleased

Meditations.

to mortifie the corruption,
and to suppress the rebellion
of our proud Nature,
to subdue our carnal lusts,
to over-rule our unruly
wills, to bring into order
our irregular affections, to
season our hearts with thy
Grace, and to plant in us
such a fear of thy Name,
that we may never depart
from thee: Regenerate us
with thy holy Spirit, that
we may be born again,
and have our souls bathed
in the blood of thy Son,
as well as our bodies were
washed with water in Bap-
tism; Baptize us into the
death of Christ, that we
may die unto sin; make us

to

Prayers and

to feel the virtue of his Resurrection, that we may walk in newness of life. Teach us out of thy holy Word, that it may be light to our feet, & a Lanthorn to our Paths; and frame us to the respective entertainment of those wholesome Counsel, who are able to instruct us. Preserve our Parents and Governors whom thou hast set over us, that they may bring us up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and grant in us obedience unto them, and a care of shewing all due reverence, not only to them, but also to all our Elders, and

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and Betters that are before us; Make us circumspect in all our ways, conscientious in our walking, & very wary with what persons we converse: Work in us betimes, both a desire and endeavour to serve thee; grant that we may remember thee our Creator in the days of our youth, that we may then set our selves to thy Worship, when we are best able to perform it. Make us daily to die unto Sin, hourly to live unto Righteousness, and grow in grace like young plants, and never leave growing, till we come to be tall Cedars in the Paradise of God;

Prayers and

God ; even perfect men in
Christ Jesus. In whose
Sweet Name we beg at thy
hand these, and all other
blessings which thou
knowest to be needful for
us ; not doubting but that
for his sake, who com-
manded Children to be
brought unto him, favou-
rably embraced them, and
graciously blessed them,
thou also wilt receive,em-
brace, and bless us now
com ng unto thee. So be it,
O Father for the merits of
that thy dear Son, who
with thee & thy holy Spirit,
be praised and magnified
now and evermore, *Amen.*

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A Prayer for Sunday.

Morning.

23 **O** M O S T Gracious Lord God, with a trembling heart, and fearful Conscience, and watery plants, and bended knees, I here poor dejected wretch prostrate my self at thy Throne of mercy, O Lord, I thank thee, that thou hast brought this Week about with me, helping me with all things which were needful for my body. Now, O Lord fit and prepare my Soul and Body for thy Sabbath. I confess this Night past, and all my life, thou

Prayers and

thou hast been my refug
& stay; be unto me (Lord) as thou hast bee
still my Protector, my e
verlasting Defence, my
Stay, my Guide, my Hope
my Hold; my strong Fo
tress, to which I may al
ways resort: and as thou
hast appointed this Sab
bath day for man to em
ploy himself in thy service,
so, O Lord, grant my heart
to be free, and to rest, from
all worldly cares, and
wholly to be spent and
settled upon thee. Grant I
may apply my self to
learn Wisdom and Godli
ness. Sanctifie my Soul,
my Body, my Mind,
Thoughts,

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Thoughts, Deeds, and Words ; Lord, fit and prepare my heart to hear, read, practise, and follow thy Word, and as thou hast appointed thy Preachers to preach and instruct us this day in thy Word, so open our hearts, & preserve our senses to Purity and Godliness, that we may be always ready prepared for thy Kingdom. Grant unto us, that neither this day, nor at any time, any evil may take hold of us, but that all good may be so rooted in our hearts, and minds, that our thoughts may always be of thee. And (Lord,) we beseech thee

Prayers and

thee to grant us grace so to
read and hearken to thy
Word, that we may reap
profit hereby in all things. APTA
Grant thy good Angels to
guard us, and to be about 24 D
us, that Satan may not
hinder any good work in
us, and grant that we may
spend this whole day in
the works of Sanctificati-
on, in publick and private
praise and Thanksgiving,
to thy glory, and our com-
fort and souls health,
through Christ our Media-
tor and Redeemer, and by
the help of the holy Spirit
our Sanctifier, Amen.

*Our Father which art in
Heaven, &c.*

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A Prayer for Sunday night.

24. **P**repare, O Lord, our hearts to Prayer, O Lord, open our mouths, and let our lips shew forth thy praise. Settle our affections upon thee, grant unto us (or me) our requests. Bend and prepare us for thy service, Lord we beseech thee.

Our Everlasting and Loving Father, merciful good God. Creator, Guider, Defender, Protector, Governour, & Maker of all things, which createdst the light & darkness, who

Prayers and

who preparedst the Seas, & clea-
foundedst the dry Land, quit
who hast made man, and not
gavest him Wit, Senses, & tem-
Understanding, to be a ffolis a
cond means to helphimselfe ;
by thee : Look down we beseeche
seech thee, upon all inthee
scrable distressed Sinners them
more especially upon us all
and grant unto us pardon for
for all our sins, Actual fall
and Original, Sins of dred
Omission or Commission, not
Imagination, or any way us,
whatsoever. O Lord, par we
don them, quit and free us
from all punishment ; let to be
them not be horror upne we
our Conscience, nor terror unto
to our Souls, but wash and tha
cleanse

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s, cleanse us : O Lord, free &
quit them from us, let them
not come as a Judge to con-
demn us, nor choose our
sons as a Jury to overthrow
us ; but (O Lord) bury
them, cast them behind
thee, forget and forgive
them; and we beseech thee
call us not to an account
for them. Let not mischief
fall upon us nor our Chil-
dren, we intreat thee ; let
no misery come near unto
us, but bless and keep us,
we beseech thee now & for
ever. Lord, we beseech thee
to bless the Word which
we have heard preached
unto us this day, and also
that which we have read,

bless

Prayers and

bless & sanctifie the same
unto us, Lord, we beg of
thee. Bless likewise the
whole Church distressed,
despersed, and despised.
Help and relieve it in due
time, and comfort all that
be in danger : build it up
where it is new begun, a
namely in *Virginia, New*
England, Summer Island,
the *East and West Indies.*
Lord bless the means pro-
vided for the furtherance
of the same : and we de-
sire thee to call home the
Indians in those parts, the
Atheists, Hereticks and Pa-
pists of this Land, and else-
where, and all other, that
they may see their errour

and

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and blindness: the wilful blinded Jews, good Lord, call them to fulfil the number of thy Church, O merciful Father, we intreat thee to relieve and release all poor Prisoners and Captives wheresoever; also all that are troubled in mind, those whose Consciences are laden with grief for their sins, Lord, ease & receive them: poor Idiots, foolish or frantick persons, restore their senses, wits, & understanding; and grant as thou haft left them to be as it were Examples unto us, to fear and tremble at thy judgment on them, so grant us (Lord) to have

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Prayers and

the more care to fear and
obey thee, Likewise com-
fort all fatherless Children,
Widows, or poor oppressed
Servants or Captives, and
Prisoners, oppressed by Sta-
tory, Tyranny, or Misery; put
a period and an end unto
their griefs, or else (Lord)
give them hearts to bear
them patiently, And now,
O Lord, we intreat thee
to receive us into thy pro-
tection, keep us, O Lord,
from sudden Death, Fire, &
Thieves, Storms, Tempests,
and all Affrightments, suc-
courage and relieve us in all
needs and dangers & send
thy good Angel to guard
us. Now, O Lord, we return
with

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with all thanks and praise unto thee, and thy holy Name for all thy blessings unto this present; so continue, we beseech thee, thy love unto us. We have deserved thy curse, thou instead thereof hast given us thy blessing; so continually O Lord, pour down thy blessings, and so bless us with heavenly blessings, that we may feel and find thy true comforts. Also bless us with earthly blessings, that we may be helpful to others that feel want or need. Grant these and all good things, even for Christ's sake, our Lord and Saviour, Amen.

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Prayers and

A Soliloquy for Sunday at
midnight.

25 **L**ORD, how long shall it be before I celebrate the Sabbath of a true rest in thee? The world seeks to destroy me, the Devil to devour me, the flesh to deceive me; come to my aid, Lord, and I shall be in safety. Everyone desires joy and comfort. Lord, let me find thee my only joy and comfort. I come and yield my soul into thy bands, thou art my father, dispose of me, as it pleasest thee. Come Lord Jesus, for I am come to thee; stay with me, I am willing to abide with thee, aid, support, and

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and remain with me this
night, and for ever, rest with
my thoughts, Amen.

*A Morning Prayer for
Sunday.*

26 O LORD GOD,
which madest the
Heavens, the Earth, the
Sea, Man, Fish, Birds, and
Beasts, and all things : we
poor distressed Sinners,
full of sin and iniquity,
presume to bring unto
thee our wounded souls for
to cure, our sins and wickedness have wounded us,
our transgressions have taken hold upon us, we are
D a ever

Prayers and

ever laden with filth, we daily provoke thy anger, week after week, day after day, hour after hour, and every minute we transgress by thought, word, or deed, we promise amendment, but daily run on in our course of wickedness; we have no mind of Heavenly things, but the Devil, the World and the Flesh, haunt us in all our thoughts, at all times, nay, in our very Prayers they betray us, and carry our mind another way, yet, Lord, as thou hast spared us this week past, and all the rest of our lives, so we beseech thee to spare

Meditations.

us this week coming, and all the time we have to live. And as we now begin the week, so grant (good God) we may begin with new spiritual Graces, to fear, serve, and obey thee all the days of our life. Keep us, O Lord, from sudden death, temptation, tribulation, persecution and affliction; prosper our Works, our Labours, our Pains; be with us at the beginning, proceeding, & ending in our Vocation and Calling; grant we may deal uprightly, and let the carriage of our affairs be so pleasing unto them, that they may draw down

D 3 thy

Prayers and

thy blessings upon us; keep us we pray thee, this week following, thriving in our Estates, and religious in our Carriage, always meditating of good, for thy glory the Church and the Commonwealth, so that whatsoever we lay our hands unto, thou wilt bend our hearts to the same, so it be to thy praise and glory. Receive us, merciful Father, into thy protection, and grant us these Graces, and all Comforts that are, may, or can be for our furtherance to Salvation, even for thy only Sons sake, Christ Jesus our Lord: to whom

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whom with thee and thy,
Holy Spirit, be all praise,
Honour and Glory; now
and for ever. *Amen.*

Our Father, &c.

*An Evening Prayer for
Monday.*

27 **O** LORD, which art
our God, we in-
treat thee upon the bended
knees of our bodies, to
accept this our Evening
Sacrifice of Thanksgiving
and Praise. We thank thee,
O Lord God, for keeping
us this day past, and all the
rest of our lives, for giving
us Food, Raiment, Health,

Prayers and

and prosperity; for keeping
us now and ever from sud-
den death, & all other mi-
series; so we beseech thee,
O Lord God, to keep us
this night coming in peace
and quietness, both in bo-
dy and goods: grant, good
God, unto us quiet rest
and sleep: keep us from
all evil whatsoever, we
humbly intreat thee, and
set thy good Angels as a
guard and watch over us,
that we may enjoy the
sweet rest and comfort of
this night, that we may be
the better able to go on in
thy service: and grant that
when we wake, we may
wake with the joy of thy
holy

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holy Spirit, and to be settled in the true assurance of thy gracious protection, that we may daily find and feel some comforts of thy Heavenly graces in our hearts with joy and comfort. Grant this, dear Father, for Christ Jesus sake, our Lord and Saviour, *Answer.*

Our Father which art, &c.



A Morning Prayer for Tuesday.

28 **W**E intreat thee,
most merciful Father, to accept our Pray-

er

Prayers and

ers and supplications
which we shall offer be-
fore thy divine Majesty,
we confess and acknow-
ledge, thou mightest have
poured down justly thy
Judgments and Indigna-
tion upon us. In justice thou
mightest have taken us
this night past in our sleep,
and plunged us suddenly
into Hell and perpetual
destruction; Yet in mercy
thou hast spared us. O
Lord, we heartily thank
thee, that of thy great
bounty thou hast keep us
safe this Night, & brought
us to the beginning of this
Day; now spare us, good
Lord, spare us, we beseech
thee.

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thee, and as thou hast ever
been our defence, so we
beseech thee defend and
protect us hereafter, that
we may become thy faith-
ful Servants and followers.
Bless we beseech thee, this
day and for ever, all our
studies, labours, & travels;
further our endeavours;
help us in our Trading,
help us in our Necessaries,
and guide us in our ways,
aid us in all good works:
preserve us from all sin &
wickedness, and deliver us
in all temptations; bless,
we beseech thee, our
whole Household, and all
about us, be merciful to
our Friends & Foes, lessen
the

Prayers and
the number of our Foes,
increase the number of our
Friends, bless our Neigh-
bours, grant unity, con-
cord and love betwixt
them and us, keep them
and us, and all about us,
now and for ever. Grant
us, good Lord, full par-
don of our sins, and
true and lively hope in thy
mercies, through Christ
our Saviour, *Amen.*

*Our Father which art in
Heaven, &c.*

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*An Evening Prayer for
Tuesday.*

29 **H**eavenly God, and
merciful Father,
assist

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assist us in our Prayers, & grant us our requests, we humbly intreat thee. Look down, O Lord, look down, we beseech thee, and grant our requests. We thank thee that thou hast kept and preserved us this day, and all the rest of our lives to this present, in health and prosperity, and given good success to our travels and studies ; Merciful Father, we intreat thee, that as thou hast kept us this day past, so we beseech thee to keep us this night coming ; and as thou hast appointed times and seasons, as to be the third night in this week, so we beseech

Prayers and

beseech thee, set a second
watch over our Souls and
Bodies, that we commit no
sin in thought nor deed:
grant us quiet sleep, com-
fortable rest; keep and de-
fend us from sudden
death, and fearful affright-
ments, danger of fire or
tempests, disturbance by
Thieves, or any other dan-
ger whatsoever: and grant,
as we now lie down to rest
in bed, so we may remem-
ber the rest of our bodies
in the grave, till it please
thee to raise us. Bless this
Night, and for ever, all
that be forced to travel by
Land or Water, all poor
Soldiers that keep Watch
and

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and Ward, and we beseech thee so to watch and wake with them and us, that we may rise in the morning to give praise and thanks unto thee, through Christ Jesus our Lord and Saviour,

Amen.

Our Father which art in Heaven, &c.



A Morning Prayer for Wednesday.

30 **O** Eternal, merciful and loving Father I intreat thee to look down upon me wicked & wretched sinner, and to grant my request, O Lord

Prayers and

I give thee humble and
hearty thanks, for keeping
me this night past, & that
thou hast safely brought
me to the beginning of
this day: defend me, O
Lord, in the same: & grant
I may spend this day to
thy glory, my comfort, and
good example of all that
are about me. O Lord, I
beseech thee, be unto me
a Guide and Protector o-
ver my ways, works, and
words, that I shall walk,
do, or speak this day, and
all the rest of my life.
Grant I may wholly dedi-
cate my self unto thee, and
strive to live more godly
and purely; and always

study

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study to fear, serve, and obey thee, and to set forth thy praise, that I may find thy favour, mercy, and goodness, shewred and poured upon me, both now and for ever hereafter: grant this dear God, and merciful Father, as we beg in that Prayer which thou hast taught us, saying,

Our Father which art in

An Evening Prayer for

Wednesday night

31. **O** M O S T glorious God and heavenly Father, renew, I beseech thee, my strength to pray-
er. As the Eagle renew-
eth

Prayers and

eeh his age, so let me re-
new in Grace. O Lord
I beseech thee, accept this
Evening Prayer for all thy
mercies. I have sinned (O
Lord) against thee, in
thought, word, and deed
this day, and all the day
of my life. I have done
wickedly, in so much that
I am ashamed to confess
my sins. Yet thou hast
spared me this day, and
all my life past. O Lord, I
beseech thee, if I have
done any thing this day
or at any other time her-
tofore, that hath been dis-
pleasing unto thee; pardon
it I intreat thee, forgive it
I beseech thee, forgive

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I desire thee, and finally quit and free me from the punishment of the same ; O Lord, bless and keep me this Night, and this House where I am, and each of us from all bodily and ghostly Enemies, and from all ill Dreams, and Fantasies, and suggestions of the Devil, from all storms and tempests, from fire, sudden death, and danger, good Lord deliver us all ; and grant we may rise in the Morning to praise thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Our Father which art in Heaven, &c.

Prayers and



A Prayer at any time in the
night, in the time of dan-
ger or fear.

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32. O LORD what shal-
l I do ? Whither
shall I flee ? Where shall
be safe, but with thee ?
Take me, receive me, keep
and defend me now and
for ever. O Lord, give me
quiet rest and sleep, and
protect me, and grant joy
and all in this house, com-
fort in thee, this night, and
for evermore. Amen.

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*A Morning Prayer for
Thursday.*

33

O Heavenly Father and good GOD, raise and rouse up my dull Senses. As the morning Lark flyeth up with sweet singing, still looking upwards towards thee: So, O Lord, grant my heart, eyes and affections, and all may be lift up unto thee. O Lord, it is thy Mercy that hath kept me this night past, and brought me to the beginning of this day, I give thee hearty thanks for the same: So, O Lord, guide and govern me this day,

Prayers and

day, that I may walk upright in all my dealings; be true and just in all my doings; and give me the Sanctification of thy Holy Spirit to find and feel thy help in the use of prosperity and health, and happiness, that shall tend to the setting forth of thy praise and glory, that I may so enjoy the benefit of this day, that I may find and feel thy comfort through Jesus Christ our only Lord and Saviour.

Amen.

Meditations.

An Evening Prayer for Thursday.

34 O Most Omnipotent God, and Heavenly Father, most glorious Creator; I intreat thee to grant my request, & accept this my Evening Sacrifice of Prayer and Thanksgiving, I beseech thee be a powerful Protector and Defender of me this night: & as thou hast been (O Lord) my Defender all this Week past, so I beseech thee, be my Defender of me all the part that is to come. Keep me in thy protection, shield me

Prayers and

me from all dangers, defend me from sudden death ; and send, I pray thee, thy good Spirit to King watch over me this night, and forever hereafter. O thank thee for blessing this day past, and I intreat thee, good God, so to continue thy blessings, and to increase them more and more towards me, that may feel & find that thou art my everlasting shield and succour. And with heavenly Father, let me hear feel those joys that besins, comfort unto my Soul, & fort beseech thee grant my very known dreams may be of heaven now, and heavenly joys, and find

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grant I may at least enjoy
much joy and comfort in
thee, that I may rest in thy
Kingdom, for ever and e-
ter. Amen.

Our Father which art in
Heaven, &c.

A Prayer for Friday Morning.

Un to thee, O
Lord, I come
with a broken & contrite
heart, sorrowing for my
sins, seeking to find com-
fort at thy hands; O thou
knowest my grief, my sor-
row, and care. O, let me
find thy Comforts, Lord,

Prayers and

I think thee that thou hast
kept me the night past, &
that thou hast safely
brought me to see the glit-
tering light. O Lord stir
me up that I may find
some comfort, preserve &
keep me, that I may feel
some joy in my soul and
body, this day and for e-
ver: and as the Church ob-
serves this day a Fast, so
prepare thou me, O Lord,
in Soul and Body, that I
may fail from all sin and
wickedness, and be strong
against the world, the
flesh, and the devil, and all
temptations, that I fall
not into sin or transgres-
sion: but grant that I may
spend

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spend this day, with all the days of my life, in all holy conversation, to thy glory and good example of all Men: Grant this, O Father, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Our Father which art in Heaven, &c.



A Prayer for Friday Night.

46 **M**erciful L O R D
G O D, which
hast let me pass this day
in health and prosperity, I
intreat thee grant that
this Night I may take my
rest in quietness & peace;

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Prayers and

and although thou hast
now taken away the day-
light, yet I intreat thee not
to take away the spiritual
Light of thy Grace: infuse
into me (O Lord) the Spirit
of Comfort: and although
our Sleep be as Death, and
the Bed as the Grave, yet
suffer us not to perish sud-
denly or unprepared: but
watch over us, good Fa-
ther, and guide and guard
us now and for evermore.
Let not affrightments fall
upon us, keep us from
Fire, Storms, Tempest,
Thieves, sudden death and
danger: and be unto us
now and for ever, a graci-
ous protector, a defender,

Meditations.

and Director. Let thy good Angels, O Lord, pitch their Tents about us, and our Houses: Remember thy Church, and every member thereof, to preserve and keep it, especially the poor Protestants afflicted for the Truth in Germany, France, and Spain, and elsewhere; all that are persecuted for the Gospel; all in tribulation, or temptation, or misery: Put an end and period to their griefs, and send comfort unto them; and, LORD, receive them and us, this night and evermore, to thy gracious protection, through the Meditation of

E 3 Christ

Prayers and

Christ Jesus: in whose
Name we conclude, say-
ing, Our Father which
art, &c.

A Trance or Soliloquy
at
Midnight.

37 M

erciful Lord, let
me not die before
I live. My eyes have taken
pleasure in folly, my heart
in sin, now I am sorry for
it; I esteem my self un-
worthy to call thee Fa-
ther; yet Lord vouchsafe
to account me still as thy
Child, that sleeping or wa-
king I may be always
thine, now and ever. A
men.

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*A Prayer for Saturday
Morning.*

38 Sanctifie (O LORD) This day unto us, and to all about us. Here us, dear Father, and grant our requests now and for ever.

O L O R D, we give thee thanks that thou hast kept us this Night, and to this present, and brought us to the last day of this Week : Grant we may spend this day soberly, quietly, and religiously from our hearts : Bring us to thy righteous Will in all things that it may be for thy Glory, and our joy and com-

E 4 fort.

Prayers and

fort. Root out all unjust, covetous, malicious, and lustful thoughts out of our minds. Keep us, O Lord, from all wickedness, and from all sin, and be a Guide unto us in all our ways, and a strength in all our necessary occasions; and as thou hast brought us to this last day of the week, so we intreat thee to bring an end of sin unto us, and cloath us with the Riches of thy Righteousness. O God, we intreat thee to grant this for our blessed Mediator's sake, Christ Jesus our Lord, Amen.

¶ O my soul, let not thy mind
-meddle with vain busyness.
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*A Prayer for Saturday
Night.*

39 **M**erciful and Heav-
enly Father, looks
upon me wretched Sinner,
in mercy, before I come to
give account for all my
sins committed this Week,
this day, and all my life
past I have justly deserved
Hell, Death, and Damna-
tion every way, every
day, and every hour this
Week, and all my life past.
Yet like a merciful GOD,
thou hast defended me. O
LORD. As this Week is
now at an end, so let my
sins end, and call me not

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Prayers and

to an exact account (but
make confession of all thy sin
with sorrow, which thou hast
committed the whole week
past) O Lord I confess all,
yield my self worthy of
Death, yet Lord spare
me, spare me, have
mercy upon me, par-
don me, and grant that I
may have this Night quiet
rest, that I may be the bet-
ter able to serve thee to
morrow. Be this Night my
defence, my guide, my
strong hold, my Fortress,
and sole Comfort. And
grant that I may with a
quiet Conscience lie down
to take my rest in peace
and quietness; let thy
good

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good Angels attend on me,
sleeping or waking, let no
affrightments trouble me,
but in the midst of dark-
ness enlighten me with
thy glory; and pardon,
and forget, and forgive all
my sins past. Grant this
now and for ever, I be-
seech thee, in that Prayer
which thy Son hath
taught me, saying,

*Our Father which art in
Heaven, &c.*



A Prayer before a Sermon.

40 **O** Grant, most graci-
ous Father, that
our thoughts may not be
car-

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carried away with any
vain illusions, or bad ima-
ginations ; grant that we
be not overcome with
sleep or drowsiness, but
quicken (O L O R D) we
beseech thee, our Senses ;
open, we intreat thee,
our Ears ; apply our hearts
to hear, and understand, and follow thy hea-
venly Word. Grant this
good Father, for thy only
Son's sake, Christ Jesus our
Saviour. *Amen.*

*A Prayer to be said after
Sermon.*

And O r d God, we intreat
thee that the Word
which

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which we have heard preached at this time to us, be deeply settled in our hearts: that we by it may so learn to live, that we may please thee, and daily endeavour to fulfil thy will, and spend the rest of our lives in thy true service, and obedience of thee in all things, to the honour of thy Glory, and our Souls true Comfort, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer to be said before the receiving of the Communion.

42 O Father of mercy, and GOD of all Consolation, receive all

Prayers and .

creatures do acknowledge
& confess thee to be their
Governour and Lord ; it
becometh us, the work-
manship of thy own hands,
much more to reverence
and magnifie thy great
Majesty, for that thou haſt
created us to thy own i-
mage and Similitude ; but
chiefly in that thou haſt de-
livered us from that ever-
laſting death and damnati-
on, to which Satan ſubje-
cted all mankind by the
reafon of ſin, from the bo-
dage wherof, neither Men
nor Angels were able to
ſet us free. But thou, O
Lord, rich in mercy, & in-
finite goodness, haſt pro-
vided

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vided our Redemption to consist in thine only and well beloved Son, whom of very love thou didst give to be made Man like unto us in all things (sin only excepted) that in his body he might receive the punishment of our Transgressions by his death, to make satisfaction to thy Justice, by his stripes & wounds, that we that were the Sinners indeed, should be healed and free, & by his humiliation that we might be glorified & exalted, and that by his Resurrection, Death and Hell should be vanquished, to bring us to life everlasting, and Joys eternal, from which

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which the whole off-spring
of Adams was justly exiled,
O Lord, we acknowledge
that no creature is able to
comprehend the length,
breadth, deepness, and
height of that most excel-
lent Love. For, thou didst
shew thy mercy, when
none was deserved; thou
gavest Life, when Death
had got the Victory; thou
received'st us into Grace,
when we rebelled against
thy Majesty; and when we
were all spotted & defiled
with the filth of unrighte-
ousness, thou didst cleanse
and purifie us with the
blood of Jesus Christ; and
although through the per-

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verse blindness and dulness
of our corrupt nature, we
neither do nor can suffi-
ciently weigh or consider
these thy most ample be-
nefits, yet nevertheless (as
Jesus Christ our Lord hath
Instituted & Commanded)
we present our selves to
this thy Table; to manifest
and witness to the whole
world, that by him alone
we have received liberty
and life, that by him alone
thou dost acknowledge us
to be thy Children and
Heirs; that by him alone
we have entrance to the
Throne of Grace; that by
him alone we are admit-
ted to sit at thy Heavenly
Table

Prayers and

Table, and also receive spiritual strength both to do good, and to avoid all evil; that by him alone our Souls shall be raised from sin, and our Bodies from death; and by him alone we receive both grace and mercy here, and assurance of Glory for ever. Wherefore to him alone, with thee, O most gracious and loving Father, and the blessed Spirit, one truly glorious God, be all Praise and Thanks, now and ever. *Amen.*

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A Prayer and Thanksgiving
after the receiving of the
holy Communion.

43 **M**O S T merciful Father, we render unto thee all Thanks, Praise, Honour and Glory, for that it hath pleased thee of thy great mercy to grant unto us miserable Sinners so excellent benefits and privileges, as to be received into the fellowship and company of thy dear Son Jesus Christ our Lord; yea, by his means we are thy adopted Children, and he is made our elder Brother. Yea,

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O LORD, we come neare
ter than so: He is our Head of hi
and we are the Member of hi
of that Mystical Body, cov
And all this proceeds from Gro
thy gracious goodness, and
compassion. For thou ha
delivered him to death, into
give us life: Thou ha
made him a Sacrifice for life
the necessary food & nau
rishment of our souls; thou ther
gavest way to the pier
cing of his Sides, from wher
whence issued water and
blood, that we might know
how we came cleansed
from our sins, & redeemed
from Damnation. Yea (O
LORD GOD) thou ha
presented us in this Sacra
ment

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present the whole Tragedy
of his Passion, that we out
of his Sorrows might re-
ady cover Joys, out of his
Groans might be comforted;
out of his Sighs and
Tears might have ours put
into his Bottle; and out of
his Death, be presented to
life everlasting: we beseech
thee then, O heavenly Fa-
ther, to grant us this re-
quest, that thou never suf-
fer us to become so unkind
as to forget such worthy
benefits, but rather make
a sure impression of them
in our hearts for ever, and
let the virtue and strength
of his Spirit ever be found
in us, by which we may be
con-

Prayers and

confirmed and established
so, that we may not only
prevail against all our spi-
ritual Enemies, but contin-
ue also in confessing of
thy goodness, and refor-
mation of our Lives, and
performance of all good
duties, to the glory of thy
Name, through the same
Christ Jesus our Lord; to
whom with thee, O Fa-
ther, and thy holy Spirit,
be all Glory and Praise,
now and ever. *Amen.*

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A Prayer to be said before Catechising.

44 **W**E most heartily thank thee, most merciful Father, for all thy Blessings bestowed upon us, from the beginning of the World unto this present time; for our Election, Creation, Redemption, merciful Vocation, Justification, Sanctification, continual preservation, and for that same assured, & most comfortable Hope that thou haft given us of our Glorification in the World to come. And we beseech thee to direct us,

Prayers and

us, that considering thy
mercies we may acknowledge
and confess our sins
which should provoke thee
rather to curse than to
bless us, to confound us rather
than to preserve us.
We have sinned against
thee both in thought, i
word & deed: Grant then
we seeing the horror of
our sins, and the fierceness
of thy wrath, may without
hypocrisy or dissimulation
be earnestly sorry & heart-
ily repent for our former
wickedness; howbeit in
such sort, as that we despair
not, but that in bitterness
of our grief we may
have comfort, by Faith.

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in thy Son Christ, that our offences are pardoned. Grant (O Lord) that we being assured hereof in our Consciences, may through the holy Spirit, be renewed in the inner man, to hate, detest, and abhor sin, and to study to live according to thy blessed Will, during our whole life. And as now, through thy goodness, we are here assembled together, so we beseech thee to direct us, that at this present, both our wordes, hearts, and all our behaviours may be in such sort ordered, as that we may truly utter, and reverently receive the

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Prayers and

*Principles of thy holy and
heavenly Word, to the
strengthening of our Faith,
to the comfort of our Con-
sciences, to the amendment of our sinful and
lewd lives, and to the glori-
fy of thy most holy
Name, through Jesus
Christ our Lord. So be it.*

*A Prayer to be used at
Catechizing.*

45 *W*E heartily thank thee, O merciful Father, for that thou hast bestowed the estimable treasure of the Holy and Heavenly Word upon us most vile and

Meditations.

ful wretches. And seeing it is not in him that planteth, nor in him that watereth, but in thy merciful hand to mortifie our sinful lusts, and to create new hearts in us; we beseech thee so to order and direct us, that we prove not like the green Fig-tree, flourishing without fruit, or be of the number of those Hypocrites : which with tongue can say Lord, Lord, in thy Name we Prophesie, cast out Devils, and do many great works, and yet are condemned for wicked, because their hearts are not aright, not like to them which are

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Prayers and

swept and garnished but
yet empty, whereinto the
unclean Spirit returneth with
seven worse than himself,
and so our end be worse
than our beginning; but
govern us with thy Holy
Spirit, that in heart we
may love and seek thee,
in body and soul obey and
serve thee, in righteousness and
true holiness all
the days of our life
through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

As we pray for our selves
so we beseech thee, to look
with favour upon the
whole Church, increase the
number of thy Children,
grant thy Gospel a

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passage, comfort the comfortless, raise up them that are fallen, and strengthen them that stand, that they fall not; Have mercy upon this Realm, long continue thy blessing of peace and quietness towards us, and remove far from us all lest & hindrances of the same. Govern the Hearts and the Swords of all Magistrates, that they may not lift up themselves in vain glory, to please themselves, but that they may apply the authority which thou hast given them, to the advancement of thy Glory, for the comfort of thy Children, and the terror

Prayers and
of thine Enemies. And seeing the continuance of our peace in these days, next under thee, lieth in the preservation of our most gracious King; bless us with him, and bless him with all gifts fit for so high a calling: and whosoever shall attempt, devise or conspire ought against His Majesties Person, Crown, Dignity, and Royal Estate, we beseech thee in mercy either to convert them speedily, or in judgment to confound them, that we may under him lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty: **Counsel the Counsellors,** order

Meditations.

order the Nobles, direct
the Magistrates, instruct
the Ministers, guide and
govern the whole body of
this Common-wealth, that
we may joyn together in
humbleness of heart, and
unity of mind, to seek the
glory of thy Name, the in-
crease of thy Kingdom, the
establishing of thy Truth,
the rooting out of sin, the
maintenance of Virtue, &
the long continuance of
the prosperous estate
of this Common-wealth.
Have mercy upon them
that be in affliction in body
or in mind, especially such
as suffer for the testimony
of a good conscience; af-

Prayers and

swage their sorrows, mitigate there miseries speedily, if it be thy will, or else arm them with patience to abide such trial, as thou shalt lay upon them. Grant these things for thy Son's sake, Jesus Christ our Saviour, in whose Name we pray for the same, and all other Graces, which thou knowest needful, either for us or the whole Church, in the same Prayer which he himself hath taught us in his holy Word, saying,

Our Father which art in Heaven, &c.

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A most effectual Prayer,
against the Plague in the
time of Danger.

36. **O** Lord God, great JEHOVAH, thou merciful Creator of Man, and founder of Heaven & Earth, we wretched miserable and dejected sinners here present our selves before thy Heavenly Throne, intreating thee to look down upon us, poordistrest offenders. We confess we are unworthy of the name of thy Children, we have despised thy Love, and for-

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Prayers and

saken thy ways, made
flight of thy Words, and re-
fused thy Chastisements,
without thinking what we
deserve: we have notfea-
red thy Judgments, nor
dreaded thy threatening,
we have not sought thy
favour, nor listened after
thy mercies; we have win-
ked at our small sins ; and
smothered our great sins,
we have promised amend-
ment, but still continue ob-
stinate: our thoughts are
wicked, our deeds damna-
ble, our lives impious, our
sayings deceitful, our
hearts hollow, our deal-
ings double, we run from
sin to sin, as though there
were

Meditations.

were no Hell to swallow us, no Devils to torment us, no Judge to sacrifice us; we fear not Hell, for we look after Heaven; we have drawn down thy judgments upon us; thou hast justly sent the plague of Pestilence upon us, and we deserve to be swept away from the face of the Earth. Our sins are manifold, our transgressions without number, that have even sought for vengeance, and now according to our deserts, thou hast sent the destroying Angel to mark us out for death. The Grave seeks to devour us, the Bells tell for us, death and

Prayers and

time and agreed to carry
us away; Heaven calls for
us, & Hell is prepared, our
days are ended; our Glass
is run, our Time is spent,
we cannot return, but for-
ward we must go. If we
look back, the World refu-
feth us; if forward, the De-
vils desire us, only in thy
merciful help there
hope, & on thee we depend
for help. O help us, good
God; O spare us, sweet Sa-
aviour, and as thou didst
spare in the time of King
David, and chargest the
destroying Angel to cease,
so we beseech thee now to
spare thy people, cease thy
anger, take, we intreat thee,

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this Plague of Pestilence from us withhold back thy wrath, and as thou sparedst the repenting *Ninivites*, so make us repent, and spare this Land. O Lord, help us unfeignedly to bewail our former life past, and seek effectual amendment for a better Life hereafter, to which better Life presently bring us; Lord, we beseech thee, and therein hold us for ever by the power of thy Grace in Jesus Christ: To whom with thee, O Father, and the blessed Spirit, be Glory by us for all thy mercies on us, now and ever. Amen.

Prayers and

A Prayer for remission of sin.

47 **O**LORD, glorious,
everlasting, loving,
everlasting Father, I wret-
ched Sinner presume once
again after my sin to return
home unto thee, request-
ing, begging, praying and
desiring of thy Heavenly
Majesty, that thou wilt
look down upon me. I con-
fess, were it not for the
hope of thy mercy, and the
hold of thy comfort, and
therenewing graces which
sometimes I feel from thee,
and that sweet taste and
feel-

Meditations.

feeling of thy good gifts, &
thy heavenly word. I should
sink in despair; for my sins
are always before me, if I
go they follow me, if I run
they fly after me, if I look
back, they stare upon me;
if I go forward, they meet
me; if I run to the right
hand, they terrifie me; if
to the left hand, they tor-
ment me; if I look down
to the Earth, Hell is ready
to devour me. Now have
I no way but to look up
to thee; Lord, be thou
then thereready to receive
me; help me good God,
save me dear Father, suc-
cour me sweet Redeemer,
assist me merciful Creator,
that

Prayers and

that my Prayers may be so
servent, so zealous, so affe-
ctionate towardsthee, that
they may draw down thy
mercies upon me; pour
down thy blessings, shower
down thy graces, open thy
hand of mercy, restore joy
and comfort to my heavy
and laden Soul; wash away
all my sins, wipe away mine
iniquities, heal mine infir-
mities, purge my wicked
Mind of all ill thoughts,
pardon all my damnable
deeds and detestable deal-
ings; renew the good Spi-
rit of heavenly Grace, re-
store the joys of thy holy
comforts upon me, O Lord,
let me have some feeling,

some

Meditations.

sometaste, some scent, some
glimmering of thy glori-
ous Presence. Let me feel
some comfort, find some
joy, have some rest. Good
Lord, let me be once truly
renewed by thy Grace, &
settled in thy service, that I
never slip nor slide back ;
but grant unto me (most
merciful Father) a sure &
settled dependance upon
thee, so that in all my
words, works and deeds, I
may rejoice in serving,
fearing & obeying thee, &
that I may spend all the re-
sidue of my days, truly ser-
ving thee, seeking to glori-
fy thy name, & magnify thy
goodness unto me, so long

as

Prayers and

as it shall please thee to it from
lend me breath in this frail & cepe
body ; & merciful Father, venly
favourably govern & guide, me to
Help, Instruct and Teach, so that
me in thy wisdom to magnify an
nifie thy Name ; multiply so be
and increase thy mercies where
on me. O Lord, preserve & may
and prosper me in all my name
ways and works, and all time
about me. Remember thy
poor Flock, build up thy
Church, renew SION, time
govern, assist, and bless all
painful Preachers and Pa-
stors of thy Word ; teach
them & us understanding
rightly to know thee, and
truly to follow thee : awake
my drowsie Soul, defend
it

Meditations.

out from evil imaginations ;
keep me in holy and hea-
venly Meditations ; grant
me to observe my ways,
so that I may walk in Pie-
ce and Peace ; set my sins
so before mine Eyes, that
when I look back on them,
I may with sorrow weep,
lament and repent my
time past, which hath been
spent so wickedly or un-
profitably. O Powerful
Preserver, remember me,
restore me to joy & com-
fort, and hasten in timethy
Salvation unto me. Draw
my lingring Soul, and it
shall run after thee, turn
me unto thee with all wil-
lingness, come shew near
unto

*Prayers and
unto me (good Lord) and
declare and shew thy mer-
cies on me; establish me in
Grace, excite me to good-
ness; give me Grace that
may always grow strong-
er and stronger to walk
before thee, weaker and
weaker to sin, faithful and
firm in thy service: Grant
this (dear God) and merciful
Father, for Christ
sake our Saviour. Amen.*

A Prayer for God's Grace

48 **O** Merciful GOD
grant me to cov-
with an ardent desire, those
things

Meditations.

things which may please thee, to read the Scriptures diligently, to search them wisely, to know them truly, to understand them rightly, to fulfil them perfectly, to the Laud, Glory and Praise of thy Name, and my own Soul's true comfort. Order my living so, that I may do that which thou requirest of me; and give me grace that I may know it, and have will & power to do it, and that I may obtain those things which be most convenient for the Salvation of my Soul. Good Lord, make my ways sure and straight to thee, so that I

fall

Prayers and

fall not between prosperity
and adversity ; but that
prosperous things I may
give thee thanks, and
adversity be patient,
that I be not lift up with
the one, nor oppress'd with
the other ; and that I may
rejoyce in nothing but that
which moveth me to thank
nor be sorry for any thing
but that which draweth
me from thee ; desiring to
please none, but for thee
nor fear to displease any
besides thee. Lord let
worldly things be alike
to me in respect of them.
Let me not be merry without
thee, and let me desire no
things

Meditations.

thing in comparison of thee,
let me grow weary of all
which is not in thee, make
me to lift my heart of-
tentimes unto thee, and
when I am ready to fall, do
thou sustain and uphold
me, and grant me with a
steadfast purpose of amend-
ment to seek grace of thee.
O my God, make me hum-
ble without fainting, mer-
ry without lightness, sad
without dulness, true with-
out doubleness, serving
thee without desparation,
trusting in thee without
presumption, telling my
Neighbours their Faults
without dissimulation, tea-
ching them not with words
only,

Prayers and

only, or admonition, but much more by my example. Let me be obedient without revenging, patient without grudging. Purify me (O Lord) from all corruptions. My most helping Lord God, give me, pray thee, a waking heart; let no evil thoughts withdraw me from thee, let me be so strong that no worldly affections draw me backward, so stable that no tribulation break me, so firm that no violence make me challenge unto it. O Lord God, grant me wisdom to know thee, conversion to please thee, finally; hope to embrace thee,

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time. Grant this most merciful Father, for the precious blood of that immaculate Lamb, Christ Jesus, our only Lord and Saviour; to whom with them, and the Holy Ghost, three Persons, and one God, be all Glory and Honour, World without end. Amen.

Our Father which art in Heaven, &c. said you not

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A Prayer for a quiet Conscience.

49 **M**OST merciful, most loving, and dear Father, I poor distressed

Prayers and

distressed mind, being disturbed in Mind, troubl'd in Conscience with division and vanity of the World, and oppressed heart with the burden of my sins, come unto me with a wounded and despatched Soul, intreating thee of thy clemency, to ease me of my troubles, cease my grief, and comfort my heaviness, gather together my distressed thoughts, and heal my broken heart; for I acknowledge, that I am justly afflicted, so justly that am even ready to despise all comforts, but yet my hope is, in thy goodness.

Meditations.

(O God) come now, I cry
and call, hearken unto my
suit, and hear me, so that I
may find comfort and
peace, and quietness in
my mind. Grant this dear
Jesus, who hast bid us to
come to thee when we are
heavy laden, and promis-
sed to ease us, and com-
manded us to cast our care
on thee, and promised to
help us, even so, Lord
Jesus, come quickly.

*A Prayer against wicked
and carnal thoughts.*

50 O Great, good, glo-
rious, and merci-
ful Father, I poor de-
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Prayers and

Cold wretch, full of filth
and sin, not having one
good thought in me, com-
at this time, seeking to
leave my filthy, detestable
Life, desiring thee to grant
my requests, fulfil my de-
sires, and hearken to my
Prayers and Petitions:
confess continually, that
sin in thought, word and
deed, and there is no good
remaineth in me: Who
I think to be fervent in
Prayer, the Devil, the
World and Flesh, assault
me: I cannot do as I would,
I do that which I would
not; Sin follows me, shame
is like to overtake me,
confusion is like to im-
hol.

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hold upon me, destruction,
that tends me, and horrour
and fear affrights me: I
have nowhere to flie but
to thee; help good God,
save me merciful Father,
defend me sweet Creator,
a poor wretched creature;
pull me from my sins, save
and succour me, pardon
and forgive me, wash me,
make me clean, give me
spiritual thoughts, and
renew all good purpose
in me, help me to abandon
all foolish, vain, and lustful
thoughts of the flesh; to
avoid, resist, and shun
all malicious, reproachful,
and froward thoughts,
that proceed from the

G 3 Devil,

Prayers and

Devil, or Worldly occasions, so that I may live purely, think chastly, continue soberly in thy service, always fearing to displease so loving a Father as thee, regarding my ways and works, giving good examples to all that live about me, desiring and seeking for nothing, but thee, and thy saving health. Grant this, good Father, both now and ever, for Christ Jesus his sake. Amen.

O L O R D G O D
heavenly Father, I

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if I am ashamed to come before thee, and thy glorious throne; I am so sinful, yet hear me, good God, and grant my request. By my rebellious nature I have offended; I confess my self unworthy of the name of thy Child: I have despised thy Love, forsaken thy ways, made slight of thy Words, scorned thy judgments, & which thou hast laid upon me, without thinking what I deserve: I have not feared affliction of my brethren: I have not mourned with them; I fear not thy Judgment, nor indeed thy threatening: What shall I say?

Prayers and

say? I regard not thy Mis-
cies; Curses, and Punish-
ments have I deserved; liv-
ing so vilely, so wilfully,
and so obstinately despising
thy Favours, I run after sin-
ne Swine after filth; I do
slight in evil? I apply my
self to ungodliness, I tread
the steps of the prophanes
and iniquity, all inclining
to Lying, Detrac^tion and Coze-
nage, abusing Perjury, and
all Wickedness, I goe
away with my Transgres-
sions; I wince at tear-sins,
and I make small sin-sins
at all; yet promised
meritment, but still com-
p^ebe obstinate, I am prone
and apt to all badnes, dull
and

Meditations.

and heavy to all goodness,
my thoughts are wicked,
my deeds damnable, my
Life impious, my Sayings
deceitful, my Heart hol-
low; I say one thing and
do another, I run from sin
to sin, from drunkenness to
lust, from lust to great sins,
from one bad deed to an-
other, from one ill thought
to another: I am stained
with Pollution, stuff with
Covetousness, desirous of
the World, ambitious of
Honour, I never look back
how wicked I have been,
but continue as though
there were nothing to swal-
low me, no Devils to tor-
ment me, no Conscience to

Prayers and

accuse me, no Judgment to
terrifie me, I regard not
Hell, nor look after Hea-
ven, I become loathsome
unto thee; yet most glori-
ous LORD GOD, once a-
gain look back, I beseech
thee, behold and pity me,
poor condemned Wretch,
seal me a pardon. Help, O
help me, dear Father, open
the Fountain of thy Mer-
cies, let down the shower
of thy Grace upon me. Let
tears distil from my eyes,
Sighs and Sobs rise from
my heart; let sorrow kill
my sins, & graue unto me
speedy courses of amend-
ment of life, and a stedfast
and sure confidence in thy
mer-

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mercy to pardon all my
sins, & thy Grace to purge
me from all my unclean-
ness and wickedness, by
Jesus Christ my Lord and
Saviour. *Amen.*

*An Prayer to be said of all
that are fallen into Poverty.*

52 **O** Merciful, ever-li-
ving and loving
Father, I intreat thee, upon
the bended knees of my
Soul, to hearken unto my
grievous complaints: grant
(O Lord God) that I may
be enabled to go through
all the afflictions thou hast
pleased to lay upon me, &
that

Prayers and

that at all times I may call
to mind, that it is not me
only, but many of thy dear
Servants, with whom thou
dealest in like sort. Grant
I may bear my Poverty
with Patience, as Job did,
that all my times I may re-
member I came naked into
the World; and brought
nothing with me, and that
which I have had, came
from thee. Grant merciful
Father, that in all extremi-
ties I may never despair of
thy mercy, but that by it, I
may be more inclined to
call & seek for thy spiritual
comforts & heavenly bles-
sing. And though I want
worldly Wealth, yet grant
me

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me thy heavenly graces, so
shall I not want; and grant
that the afflictions of this
life, may be sanctified unto
me, and turn to my eterna
nal good, thro' Jesus Christ
our Lord and Saviour.

men.

A Prayer in Prosperity.

53 **I**wretched sinner ap
pear here before thee
merciful Father, intreating
thee of thy great bounty,
that at all times thou hast
given me a more liberal
portion of worldly wealth,
so thou wilt please to
grant me Grace ever to be
thankful to thee for the
same.

Prayers and

fame; and grant I may
use it, that it may be for
thy Glory, my Salvation,
& the Comfort of the ne-
edy. Grant I may not be
hard hearted, but liberally
give and bestow it upon
the oppressed and father-
less; on the blind, the lame,
& the naked; to comfort &
succour all that are in di-
stress; to further thy word
and plantation of thy Gos-
pel. O grant (most merci-
ful Father) that the more
earthly blessings that thou
givest me, I may the more
seek thy heavenly Graces,
& that I may be the more
humbled in due considera-
tion of my great unthank-
fulness;

Meditations.

fulness; and that I may seek to live more piously and religiously; and that when I depart this vale of misery, I may be mindful to leave some Good and Godly examples of Charity to those that follow. Grant that this my wealth may not be a stumbling-block or hinderance to my Salvation, but that it may be a furtherance to me in all good and godly actions. Grant this good God, even for Christ Jesus sake, I intreat thee; to whom with thee and thy Holy Spirit, be praise and glory now and ever. *Amen.*

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Prayers and

A Prayer for all in distress
Sea, by Storm or Tempest.

54 O Lord God, Heavenly Father, maker and founder of the Sea and Land, look down upon us miserable Sinners, who have justly plucked down thy vengeance upon us: O Lord we have provoked thy Wrath, we have deserv'd to be swallowed up quick by the merciless Waters? O Father, the floods come over us, they even enter into our Soul, O Lord, the Seas rage & rise against us: Here we see thy Wonders and Judgments in the

Meditationes.

twinkling of an Eye thou
canst destroy us. O Lord, we
confess and acknowledge
we have sinned. Most justly
therefore are thy fierce
Judgments come upon us:
Yet Lord spare us (Lord)
we beseech thee; let us not
be swallowed up quick,
where there is none to help
us, but thou canst save us. O
Lord, cease these storms &
tempests; cease, we beseech
thee, these swelling Seas;
command these blustering
winds and they shall obey.
We are at the pit of De-
struction, at the brink and
brim; Save us, Master we per-
ish, Lord increase our faith,
strengthen it in thee: Mer-
ciful

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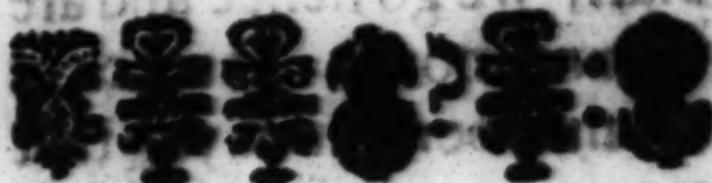
ciful Father, take us, we beseech thee, into thy protection: be, O Lord, our shelter; and, if thou hast appointed death unto us at this present, (O Lord) let thou present, we beseech thee, to receive our Souls, until the joyful Resurrection of our Bodies, and then receive our Bodies and Souls into thy Kingdom. If it be life, then grant we may so live, that we may take warning by these afflictions now upon us, that we may live to amend our lives, and live more godly, religiously and righteously all the days of our lives. Grant this good God,

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and

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and merciful Father, for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Saviour, Amen.



A Prayer for one that Travels by Land.

55 O Lord, lead me in the paths of righteousness, and direct my goings in the way of truth. We (O Lord) are born to Travel, and Man hath no certain place of abode; our days are like a span, and our lives pass as a weavers shuttle. O what is man that thou art mindful of him,

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of the Son of Man, then
thou regardest him? and
are like to a bubble, or
blast, we go hence and are
seen no more. O teach us
to number our days, that
we may walk in the paths
of godliness; direct our
steps in the word of Truth;
and as thou hast appointed
Man to be a Pilgrim, & to
travel for his living, & so-
journe upon the earth, so, O
Lord, guide & govern me
in my travel, that I may go
on with Comfort in this
my Journey. Be thou my
God, my help, and guide to
direct me aright in my
way and business; keep me
from all fears and dangers.

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by Thieves, or other mis-
chief and trouble; that I
may have no disturbance
in my Journey, no lets nor
hindrances, no sorrow nor
heaviness, but for my sins;
and, O Lord, keep and bless
all my Friends at home &
abroad, and keep them and
me in perfect health, till my
return unto them. Thou
(O Lord) knowest the sor-
rows of my heart, and I
cannot express my griefs so
well as thou knowest them:
Then (O Lord) let me e-
ver feel and find accor-
dingly thy Comfort; do thou
put good Thoughts
and godly Cogitations al-
ways in my Mind, that I
may

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may I think upon Heavely things, as one that hath set and settled his affections and desires to come unto that place. Gracious Lord, make all my Thoughts, Words, and Works, well pleasing unto thee: And now let thy good Angels conduct and lead me, that they may be as a Cloud by day, and a Pillar by night, so watch and attend upon me, to keep me, that I fall not, nor go away. And for my chief Companion, grant that I may ever have a quiet Conscience, and a willing mind to serve, seat, and obey thee, and a com-

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trite and sorrowful Soul
for sin ; and so direct me
in the ways of Truth, that
I may not stray, or go a-
way by any by-paths of
ungodliness, but conduct
me in the steadfast ways of
uprightness, wherin give
me strength and grace to
strive to perform in all
things thy most righteous
Will, and to submit my self
unto thee, through Jesus
Christ our only Lord and
Saviour. **Amen.**

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Prayers and

A Prayer for a sick Man.

56 O Lord, glorious, loving Lord God, beseech thee to hear my Complaint, and grant me strength to pour out my Prayer before thee ; O God I have sinned, I have sinned, and done wickedly. I have all my life long run from sin to sin, I have transgressed; I have done so bad, that I cannot call to remembrance. Yet merciful Saviour, return unto me, that I may have a feeling of that good Spirit in me : Let not the sin of my youth,

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youth, nor the iniquity of
that time lie upon me;
and O GOD, as thou hast
laid thy hand of affliction
upon me, so I do intreat
thee to arm me with pa-
tience to bear this my Visi-
tation patiently. If it be
thy will to take me out of
this transitory Life, pre-
pare me so, O good God, &
receive me, that I may be recei-
ved into thy Kingdom.
Arm me, and strengthen
me to bear the burthen
hereof patiently, to under-
go this my affliction wil-
lingly, and to fight it out
manfully. But unless thou
hast, what am I, O God?
A Worm, a poor dejected

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Wretch.

Prayers and

Wretch I have no comfort
but from thee, and
thee; therefore I do
unto thee, beseeching
thee either to reform
me to health, and with
all to amendment of Life
or else to receive me & to
take me into thy Kingdom
of Glory. Lord, cease my
pain, ease my grief. LORD
I intreat thee to grant, that
neither the Devil nor the
World, may any way pre-
vail to attempt me, but
grant me strength to over-
come all. Send the good
Angels to keep & conduct
me, both in sickness, and in
health, & grant I may not
fear Death, but that I may

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be fitted and prepared for it, yet, if it be thy gracious Will ; Let me recover a little strength, and spare me a little before I go hence, and am no more seen. O grant that I may find thy Grace now work for my good in me ; that if it be thy Will to take me hence, Lord receive me unto thee, and then come Lord Jesus, come quickly. And so Lord I commit and commend my self unto thee, in that Prayer which thou hast taught me, saying,

*Our Father which art, &c.
Lord strengthen my Earth
to the end.*

I believe in God, &c.

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of bearing her boun-

dinge v. 13. 14.

A Prayer for a Woman
at the time of her Travell.

37 R ighteous and ho-
ly Lord God, I
now find by experie-
nce the fruit of my sin, that
I must travel in sorrow, and
bring forth in Pain, and
unfeignedly adore
the truth of thy sacred Word,
as certifying unto me, that
sorrow must be in the
evening, so comforting
also against the Morn,
that a Child shall be born.
Willingly I do desire
to submit myself, in hope
unto this thy Chari-
ment; and to learn the

Meditation.

part of my sins, horrible in themselves, that therefore temporal pains are fore-runners of eternal; and yet by thy Mercy may be so magnified unto me, as not only to prevent eternal Vengeance, but also prepare for eternal Comfort, even to be saved by bearing of Children. Grant me therefore, gracious Father, true repentance and pardon for my sins past, that they may not stand at this time, in this my need, between me and thy Mercy. Give me also comfortable feeling of thy love in Christ, which may sweeten all other pangs.

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Prayers and
though never so violent
extreme. Make me still
lift up my Soul unto thee
in my greatest Agonies,
knowing that thou alone
must give a blessing too
ordinary means for my
safe deliverance. Lay
more upon me than I am
able to endure, and
strengthen my weak body
to the bearing of what fol-
lowe forever, by which I
shall seem good unto thee
to make trial of me. Grant
me to consider, that how-
ever it be with me, yet I
am always in thine hand,
whose mercies fail not,
who will be found in the
Mount, and in greatest ex-
tremity,

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tremity, and to whom be
the issues of death; So
prepare me therefore to
death, that I may be fit
for life even to yield up
me unto the World, and
to be renewed and cra-
pped to nourish the same.
And when thou hast safely
given me the expected
fruit of my Womb, make
me with a thankful heart
to consecrate both it and
my self wholly to thy ser-
vice all the days of my
Life, through Jesus Christ
mine only Saviour and
Redeemer. *Amen.*

Prayers and

*A Thanksgiving after
Deliverance.*

Blessed for ever
by great and glori-
ous Name, (most
and joying Father) for
great mercy to me the
weak and sinful Woman.
wonderful art thou in
thy Works, O LORD,
riches of thy Mercies are
past finding out: thou
plunged me into great
Miseries, and yet thou
returned and refreshed me
again: Thou hast brought
me to the fear of the
Grave, and yet thou hast
raised me up again to Life.

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How hast thou shewed
thy power in my weak-
ness? How hath thy loving
kindness prevailed against
my unworthiness? Thou
mightest for my sins have
left me to perish in mine
extremities, but thou hast
compassed me about with
joyful deliverances. Thou
mightest have made my
Womb a Grave to bury
the Dead; or in affording
life to another, thou might-
est have procured my
Death: But yet thou hast
not only made my Womb
a Well-spring of Life, but
restored Life unto me also,
for the cherishing thereof.
Marv'lcus, O Lord, are
H , s thy

Prayers and

thy works; infinite are thy
mercies, my Soul by pre-
sent experience knoweth
it well. O my Soul praise
the Lord, and all the
time within me, praise his
Name. My Soul praise the
Lord, and forget not all
his benefits: thou hast heard
my prayers, and looked upon
my sorrows; thou hast redemp-
ed my life from death, and
healed mine infirmities, and
crowned me with thy con-
stant compassions. O give
me, I humbly pray thee,
a thankful Heart, not only
now, while the memory
and sense of thy favour is
fresh before me, but con-
tinually, even so long as I
have —

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have any being. Grant that I may learn by this lively
experience of thy Power and
Mercy, for ever hereafter
to depend only on thee.
Quicken me also, to all
holy Duties, that my
thankfulness may appear
in my pure and Christian
Carriage. Make me a kind
and careful Mother, wil-
ling to undergo the pain
and trouble of Education.
Let no niceness or curiosi-
ty hinder me from those
Services, to which both
Nature and Religion have
appointed me. Let me al-
so be careful when time
requireth, to season the
Fruit thou hast given me,
with

Prayers and

with the saving knowledge
of thee and thy dear Son,
that my desire may man-
ifestly appear to be set for
the increase of thy King-
dom. Vouchsafe so to ordain
my afflictions, and to bring
me in obedience unto
thee, that if it should be thy
pleasure, either now or
hereafter, to take this in-
fant from me, I may as
willingly part with it, as
thou freely gavest it me.
And now, O God, perfect in
me that strength which
thou hast begun; make me
to grow in care to serve
thee faithfully, both in the
duties of Piety, & in other
businesses of my place and

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Calling, that I may be a comfort to my Husband, an example to my Neighbours, a grace to my Profession, and a means of glory to thy Name, through Jesus Christ my Lord and Saviour. Amen.



A Prayer at the
hour
of Doubt.

59 O Heavenly LORD GOD, we poor wretches being overcome with grief, come all here, attending thy good pleasure with this sick Servant of thine : O Lord, incline to

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to hear our Prayers, and
his complaint unto thee.
But now, O Lord, prevail,
and send thy good Angels
and thy Spirit to attend
us ; be with us (O Lord)
and comfort this sick Per-
son ; and now, if the time
become of his departure,
grant (O Lord) he may de-
part with godly comfort,
& joy everlasting, into thy
Kingdom. Ease (O Lord)
his griefs, mitigate his
pains, asswage his sorrows,
and give him a lively touch
of thy heavenly Com-
fort. Put by all worldly
thoughts, and beat down
all bad suggestions ; let
nothing but good come
within

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within his mind, and grant
that he may to the last gasp
of his breath, breath out
still some comfort of thy
help; and grant when he
hath done his last to finish
this mortal life, then he may
with *Lazarus*, be carried
into *Abraham's* bosom. O
Lord forgive him. O Lord
receive him. O Lord pro-
tect him. O Lord succour
and save him; and now and
for ever grant he may rest
with thee in eternal Glory.
Hear us (good Father)
for this our Brother (or
Sister) and do for him (or
her) and us, according to
thy Fatherly mercy in Je-
sus Christ, to whom we

com-

*Prayers and
commend him, with the
our Prayers for him, and all
his and our occasions, in
that Prayer which thy bles-
sed Son hath taught us,
*Our Father which art in**

*A Trance at the time of
Death.*

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*O Lord GOD, com-
mune with me, plant thy
Holy Angels about me, I
am not far from me now; Lord
help, and take me into thy
protection: Let no ill Imagi-
nations, nor Wickedness take
hold upon me; but, O Lord,
now be ready to help me; re-
ceive me, and let thy good
Spirit*

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Spirit be in me; Come
Lord Jesus, come quickly,
come receive me, and take
me into thy Vision. I for-
give all the World, grant
me likewise forgiveness of
them, and of thee (Lord) for
all my sins. Wash me, O Lord,
and fully cleanse me of them
all, and so receive me, O Lord.
Save me, O Lord be my Rock,
my Shield, my Defence, my
Comfort, my Reservoir. Now
Lord I yield my self, my soul
and my body, into thy hands,
my Lord Christ, and be
with me now and for ever.
Come Lord Jesus, come quickly
and receive my Soul into
thy Protection. Amen.

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A Prayer in time of War.

61 O Glorious L O R D
G O D, and ever-
lasting Father, we intreat
thee mercifully to look
down upon us, and hear us
unto our Complaints and
Desires, and grant we beseech thee, our requests.
Gracious Father, thou
knowest our sins, and our
iniquities are not hid from
thee, they lie open to thy
Judgment; yet we know
that thy mercies are the
cure of our miseries, and
when we fly to thee, thou
drawest near to us. We beseech

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seech thee now to be fa-
vourable, and spare us for
all our sins past, and be
ready to deliver us from
sins to come ; look down
in mercy upon us : and as
thou hast been our ever-
lasting defence, so now
defend us from the rage of
our Enemies : Go in and
out (O Lord) before our
Armies, before our Gene-
ral, before our Fleets and
Commanders : And grant
we may be thy Soldiers,
to fight under thy Banner.
Stir up our Hearts and
Strength against the En-
emy : Defend thy afflicted
flock : Remember, we be-
seech thee, the burthen
of

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of misery laid upon thy
Church at this time, in
Germany, France, Ireland,
and elsewhere ; and in thy
due time restore it to her
former Glory : Settle our
Hearts and Affections to
regain and recover that
which hath been lost : And
grant that we seeing their
double dealing, may no
longer trust to them which
have no truth : They ima-
gine mischief in their
hearts ; and are set on fire
to do ill, but break thou
the knot of their Malice,
lay open their Plots, dis-
cover their Devices, weaken
their Armies, overthrow
their Intentions, confound
their

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their counsels, & consume their numbers. O LORD, thou hast in time past made the Stars to fight in order, the Sun to stand still, the Seas to devour, the Winds to overthrow thy enemies: So now, O Lord, cause these thy Creatures to assist & help us, and our distressed Neighbours, that all the World may know it is thou that fightest our Battles, and undertakest our cause. Finally, O Lord, bless, we beseech thee, us & every one of us, in what we shall take in hand for defence of thy CHURCH and TRUTH. Bless, we intreat thee, our King, our State,

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State, our Clergy, our
Commonality, & give thy
blessing unto us all: And
last of all bless, we beseech
thee, all the worthy Com-
pany of Soldiers in the
chief City, and in all places
of this land. Bless, O Lord,
we intreat thee, therein-
ventions of War, and make
them expert by their pra-
ctices. Preserve and pro-
sper all our undertaking
so that all the World may
know that thou art the gui-
der of our Counsels, and
Leader of our Armies.
Grant this, dear Father,
and all other good things
unto us, for the good of
the Church amongst us,
and

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and the relief of others by
us, now and always, for
Christ Jesus sake our only
Saviour. *Amen.*

A Form of Thanksgiving and Prayer, to be used of godly Christians in their Families.

62 **W**E most humbly
thank thee, O
heavenly Father, for all
thy loving-kindness so
abundantly shewed unto
us; not only this day (or
night) but all the time of
our Life, unto this pre-
sent; and especially for
that it hath pleased thee
of

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of thy fatherly favour, infinite love, before we have done good or ill in this sight, and before the beginning of the world, to write us in the Book of Life, and unchangeably to ordain that we should be thy Children and Vessels prepared to Honour, with the rest of the Saints. And we thank thee for the great Work of our Creation which, as it is wonderful in it self, being first framed according to thine own Image, in Wisdom, Holiness and Immortality; so doth the excellency thereof much more clearly appear, ita that thou hast

made

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made infinite numbers of other Creatures upon the earth, in the heavens above, and in the waters beneath, not only far inferior unto us, but to serve for our use and benefits: Yea, thou hast made thy holy Angels ministering spirits to attend, guard & defend thy Children. But most especially, we praise thy holy Name, & evermore thank thy Majesty, for the abasing, & manifesting of thine only begotten Son in our poor and frail Nature, that he might in the same, yield unto thee, O Father, a full and perfect obedience for us, such as in thy most just

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Law was required at
hands: And that by
most painful and
sufferings, Anguish
Horrors both in Soul
Body, as well in dead
Life, we might be
free from all those ev-
illing sorrows, fears &
ments deserved of us,
prepared for all those
do not believe: Even
was it thy good pleasure
O Father most merciful
that he in the very
stance of our Nation
through that Almighty
power of thy God-head
should not only bear
intolerable weight of
our sins, together with

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the punishment due to the same, but also overcome it, destroy the power of sin in us, and obtain for us a glorious victory over Sin, the World, Death, Hell, and all Enemies. Yea, that he should restore unto us, by the virtue and worthiness of that his Obedience, all good things which before were lost through our folly and disobedience ; and that in a more perfect Estate than ever we had been ; in so much as now our Strength, our Wisdom, our Righteousness, our worthiness, our assurance of thy favour, our joy & felicity, resteth not in our

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Prayers. and

selves frail Creatures
In him our only Soverain
thy Saviour, who sittest
thy right hand in Glory
Power for everlasting
henceforth never shall
no more sacrifice be
no other Mediator to
treat thy Majesty: no
Deservers or Purchasers
thy favours for us; but
all flesh should confess
that there is no other
Name under Heaven,
which we may be fit
but only the Lord Jesus.
And that whosoever receiveth,
meth, might rejoice in
the Cross of Christ. This Mys-
tery (O Lord) is too high
for us, we cannot comprehend

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the fulness; the length, the
breadth; and the depthes thereof perfectly; Yea, all
the Wisdom of Man is
too gross and blind to per-
ceive any part thereof
perfectly; the very Angels
do always wonder at the
same, and the Devil and
Antichrist, with all the
Princes of the World, have
laboured utterly to extin-
guish the knowledge and
memory of the same. Yet
now in these days, thou
haft again clearly revea-
led the same by the
preaching of the Word, &
we here present through
the abundance of thy
Grace, in some sort forced

Prayers and
to see and feel the glorious
power of the same.

But such is our horrible
blindness, perverseness, vici-
nity and unthankfulness, by the
which we see it not clearly,
we believe it not perfectly,
nor weigh it sufficiently,
nor meditate thereon effectu-
ally; for we should love
thy Majesty, for this fa-
mous work of our Re-
demption by Jesus Christ,
with a most perfect Love,
without all comparison, &
far above all other things
in the World. Whatsoever
we love, we should love
for thy sake, so that no
thing should be more dear
and joyful unto us, than

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the setting forth of thy Glory, the praising of thy Name, the furtherance of thy true Religion, and prosperity of the Church; and nothing so great a grief, as the contrary to any of these: But this love we find very cold in us; for we long not earnestly to be in thy continual presence, we are very negligent, & soon weary in speaking unto thy Majesty by Prayer, and in hearing of thy Majesty speaking unto us, by the Ministry of thy Holy Word: We take no Felicity in meditating of thy Mercies, in declaring thy Praises, in commending

Prayers and

thy wonderful Work.
Yea, we have often times
more pleasure in beholding
vanities, in worldly mat-
ters, in idle and prophan-
exercise, and in works
of darkness: We are violent
in revenging our own in-
juries, and in hating those
that do hurt our selves;
but we are not so much as
heartily grieved with those
that offend thy Majesty by
sin, and obscure thy Glo-
ry, by corrupting thy true
Religion; our love toward
our Brethren, ought to be
like the Love wherewith
thou hast loved us, that is
pure, uncorrupt, vehement,
and everlasting; but we

are often far from it.

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with the best of them.

Yours,

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love for our own pleasures, and for worldly respects; we are soon provoked to anger, we mislike long, we are hard to be reconciled; we are not so dutiful to our Parents and Governours, so kind to our Friends, so charitable to Strangers, so courteous to those that are in necessity as we ought to be. We should be holy and pure as thou art pure, because thou (Lord) hast redeemed us from all impurity, that we should continually offer up unto thee our Souls and Bodies, as a pure, living and acceptable Sacrifice: And because we art thy Temples wherein

Prayers and

it pleaseth thee to dwell by
thy Grace and holy Spirit.
But we feel too too many
rebellious motions, and
corrupt cogitations, such
as we are ashamed to speake
of to any mortal Man: Our
minds should be drawn
up on high with the love
of heavenly and spiritual
Things, because we are
Strangers here, & Citizens
in Heaven; for that we
know the things that are
here below, to be uncer-
tain, and transitory as the
flower of the Grass; our
selves frail and mortal,
and the joys prepared for
us after this mortal life, to
be infinite, inestimable, and
ever-

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everlasting: Howbeit, we
spend a great part of our
time in following after the
things of this World, in
providing for this lump of
earth; our studies, cares
and communications, are
everyearthly and prophane.
Finally, we have broken all
thy Laws, we can per-
form no good thing per-
fectly: We consider not al-
ways effectually, that we
are in thy presence, & that
all things are open unto
thee, be they in respect of
men never so secret: We
spend not constantly up-
on thy Providence, we rest
not with full contentation
of mind, in thy good plea-
sure:

Prayers and

sure; we have not yet learned wholly to resign ourselves, our Children, Friends, and those blessings which thou hast given into thy hands, and to be contented without a murmur or repining with that estate of Life wherein thou placest us. We are not careful enough for those whom thou hast committed to our especial Charge. We corrupt and abuse all thy good Gifts. We cannot rehearse the multitude of our offences, for we are guilty of infinite Crimes, which we remember not, nor ever knew, because of our ignorance and

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and negligence. And although we be in so ill a case, so vile of Nature, so void of goodness, so full of infirmities, and so near a thousand destructions, yet are we not thoroughly humbled before thee : We do not loath and lament our sins as we ought to do; we flatter our selves, we extenuate our faults, we inwardly dislike those that admonish us, we are slow in reforming of our selves ; yea, which thou of all things most abhorrest , we are soon blown up with vain glory, & made proud of thy Gifts, and of those good things which thou of thy

Prayers and

thy goodness, workest in
us and by us: Therefore,
O Lord, according to the
multitude of these our mis-
ties, we fly unto the throne
of thy Grace, as they that
are guilty of infinite crimes,
craving thy pardon, as they
that are ashamed of their
soulness, and fain would
be washed with the Blood
of thy Son Jesus Christ, as
they that are wounded to
everlasting death, and de-
sire to be healed with the
sovereign Oil of thy Grace
and Holy Spirit. O Lord,
forsake not those who de-
sire earnestly to forsake
themselves. Receive us in
to thy Favour, who only

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ppelal to thy Mercies. We
know not any way to come
unto thee, nor any means
to obtain any good thing
at thy hands, but only by
him, even our Lord & Sa-
aviour, who saith, *I am the
way, the truth, and the life.*
Who hath promised, that
*whatsoever we ask in his
name, thou wilt give it*
us: And of whom thou
thy self hast witnessed by
all the Prophets and Apo-
stles, that *He is the propiti-
ation for all our Sins.* In
him therefore, and thro,
him we ask all good
things of thy infinite Ma-
esty. O Lord, although
our Faith be weak, our Re-
pentance,

Prayers and

penitance, our Sanctification, and all things in imperfect, yet hear and accept us for the worthiness and perfection of the Sun, our Advocate and Redeemer. O Lord our God, forsake not the work of thine own Hands, remember not our sins anymore, but vouchsafe to finish that new birth which thou hast begun in us; and to this end, we beseech thee always to soften and to prepare our hearts by thy Holy Spirit, unto the perfect obedience of thy Gospel, and to imprint in our Consciences a deep feeling of our sins, howbeit

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in such measure, as that we be not driven thereby to despair of thy mercies, but better humbled before thee, provoked to a more serious Repentance of our former evil Life, to a greater servency in praying, and seeking for thy help, and a more carefulness ever hereafter to flee even the shew of every evil thing, and all occasions of offending against thee, and our brethren: but because it is not enough to avoid evil; we beseech thee to give us a full assurance, and a sweet feeling of thy Love towards us in Jesus Christ, wherewith our hearts.

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hearts being thoroughly inflamed, we may bring forth abundantly the fruits of thy Holy Spirit, and show our faith by good works to the testifying of our most dutiful Service towards thee: (O Lord our God) the stopping of the mouths of the ungodly, and provoking of a great many to praise thy most holy Name, for those good things which thou hast wrought in us: Therefore grant us, O most merciful Lord, a zeal for thy Glory according to knowledge, boldness for thy Cause, joyned with Humility, Wisdom with Sincerity, joy-

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joyfulness of mind, and true sadness for our sins, and the afflictions of our brethren. Teach us to obey and reverence our Superiors, to be loving to all our Equals and Inferiors, charitable to our Enemies, desirous to do good to all Men, to be diligent in our Callings, to abhor all deceitful and unrighteous dealings. Make us thankful for all thy benefits, faithful in using them according to thy will, patient in forbearing of them, constant in suffering the loss of all earthly benefits for thy everlasting truth. And because it is thy good pleasure,

Prayers and
sure, that we may follow
and strive against our own affec-
bellious Nature, and all those
Host of spiritual Enemies; wherefore
we beseech thee to arm us
from above with the com-
plete armour of thy grace,
And for as much as our
Strength and Fortitude
nothing in respect of our
adversaries, assist us mightily,
that in all Temptation,
Dangers and Assaults,
may lay sure hold with
hand of Faith upon the Vic-
tory of our Saviour Jesus
Christ, that albeit we
not able to overcome
our own persons; yet we
may overcome in his name
hath overcome for us, and

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after this Warfare fin-
ished, be made partakers of
those Promises which are
knit unto the victory, even
the Crown of Glory, the
fellowship of all the Saints,
and the most comfortable
Presence of thy Majesty,
through the same our Lord
and Saviour Jesus Christ.
And we pray not only for
our selves, but also for all
Nations of the World, that
they may be called to the
comfortable Light, and ef-
fectual feeling of thy Go-
spel thro' the Preaching
of the same; and for those
that are already called, O
Lord, we humbly beseech
thee to make up, and hap-
pily

Prayer's and

pitily to finish that heaven
Work of the new Bi
which thou in mercy
begun in them, strengthen
ing and comforting
Souls daily more and
with the lively Food
thy blessed Word and
Craments, sincerely min
isted, according to the
most holy Ordinance; to
which inestimable Grace
we beseech thee to make
this Church of *England* a
taker of, yet more abund
antly. And to this end,
most humbly crave of the
Majesty, to bless thy Ser
vant *William*, our gracious
King and Governor, in
all manner of Excellence.

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Blessings, that he may
worthily seek, and set forth
thy Glory, by advancing
thy true Religion, and
suppressing all things that
hinder the same. Give
Grace to this Honourable
Parliament, and to all that
be put in Authority under
them, faithfully to assist
in this great Work. Make
the Ministers of thy Work
zealous in thy Truth, dili-
gen in their Office, wise in
propounding thy Myste-
ries unto the people, happy
and comfortable in their
labors. Increase the num-
ber of them, for they are
few, and great is the mul-
titude of those that want
and

Prayers and

and thirst after thy Name
Finally, shew thyself with
Lord) mighty and merciful unto them
ful, in relieving and comforting all
soriting all those that be afflicted
fllicted and humbled by any kind of Calamity
any kind of Calamity, whether it be extreme Poverty, or bodily Sickness, inward grief of Mind, the burden of their sins, But especially, remember those in thy mercy, who are in Bonds or Imprisonment for thy Truth; grant unto them patience in suffering, and cheerfulness in Praising thy Glory; Name, for thy everlasting Love towards them, Christ, and constancy.

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professing a good cause
with a good Conscience
unto the end, through our
Lord Jesus Christ, in whose
Name we pray for these
and all other graces need-
ful, either for our selves, or
for the whole Church, as
he hath taught and com-
manded us, saying,

*Our Father which art in
Heaven, &c.*

A Heavenly Meditation.

O LORD my
GOD, and most
gracious Father in Jesus
Christ

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Christ, I wretched sinner
here prostrate before thy
Throne of Grace, do even
out of the deep affliction
my wretched heart, look
upon thee, and with sighs
and groans unfeigned for
sin my humbled Soul doth
call upon thee, who art my
only hope, stay, and refuge
in all distresses, being
power only to help, and
canst only ease and set me
free. Look not upon my
sins, I humbly beseech thee
let them not stand be
tween me and thy mercy.
Set aside all my guiltiness,
blot out all my transgres
sions, which daily and hourly
I do highly provoke the

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nowtath and indignation
against me; and behold
me in mercy, for thy Son
Christ Jesus sake; in, by
and for whom only, mercy
is to be had. I know and
acknowledge, O Lord, that
thou art a just God in all
thy judgments, and none
more fit and worthy to
receive the sharpest rail of
thine afflicting and correcting
hand than my self, in
respect of the huge heap
of sin and wickedness by
me committed. But as
thou art most just, so (glo-
rious Father) thou art also
most merciful, and upon
thy gracious favour and
goodness in Christ Jesus,

Prayers and

I poor, miserable, sinful
wretch do depend, being
my sole and only support
in my greatest distresse
and dangers; be it by sick-
ness, disgraces, losses, or
any other cross or calamity
whatsoever. And when-
soever any of these out-
ward afflictions are upon
me, or any other inward
conflicts of the mind do
take hold on me (how
sharply & bitterly soever)
yet teach me, O Lord, by
thy Grace to make use
thereof to my comfort, and
that I may find, feel, and
confess that it is thy hand,
dear Father, that smiteth
me, and that thou smiteth

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ful me for my good, even that
the burning heat of sin
may be quenched in me,
and I be wholly drawn
from my corrupt ways,
lest I perish with this wic-
ked, ungodly, and grace-
less World: Therefore,
direct thou my heart and
mind, to joy in this and all
other thy fatherly correcti-
ons, and to praise thy Ma-
jesty for the same, and with
glad somness of heart, to
entertain griefs, troubles,
or any affliction of the
sharpest kind, that thy fa-
therly goodness shall think
meet to lay upon me; for,
O LORD, this wretched
Carcase of mine is a mas-

Prayers and

of corruption, favouring even
of nothing else but earth
and earthly matter, full of
Blains, Sores, and deep
Wounds, and had need of
some sharp Corrosive to
cleanse the same, that they
may be the better cured;
otherwise (dear Father)
this poor Imprisoned Soul
of mine cannot escape
from being defiled with all
manner of evil, and there-
by in hazard to be spoiled
of those Heavenly Gra-
ces, wherewith it should
be adorned and beautified
to Eternal Life. This
wretched Soul of mine
(most gracious God) doth
pine away for sorrow and
even

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ring even pant for breath, longing to receive increase of life from the living Stock Christ Jesus, which must be thy work, (and thy work only;) and work this effectually, I humbly beseech thee, which way thou wilt, and do thou give what thou wilt have me to do, and then do what thou wilt to me, and with me, thy unworthy Servant. For though I should walk through the Valley of the shadow of Death, I could fear none evil; for thou art with me, thy Rod and thy Staff do comfort me: If I should enter into an enumeration of my sins, there

Prayers and

is no end of them: For how much time have I idly spent? How much time have I vainly spent? How much time have I most wickedly spent? And how little time have I employed in thy Service? This, O LORD, carrieth in it an infinite number of sins, and for this I deserve justly to be forsaken of thee, and to be reserved & left unto endless condemnation both of Body and Soul, But, however in Youth I have not heeded this, or in Age may easily forget this, yet let thy grace (most gracious Father) remind the one, inform the other,

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other, and reform both
that by thy Grace I may be
taught and directed, with
judgment to feel, with
conscience to acknowledg,
with remorse to lament my
former strayings and steps
ignorantly undertaken, un-
graciously followed, and
fearfully continued to my
endless danger, if thou
O Lord, do not in mercy
stay my courses, & set me
in the right path of eternal
salvation: Be pleas'd to this
end (most loving Father) to
follow me still with thine
afflicting hand, which is
thy Fatherly School, by
the which thou dost warn
& admonish thy Children.

Prayers and

and Servants to look into
their sins past, whereby
they provoke thee to pu-
nish, thou dost teach and
instruct them to behold
the sins present, which
provoke still, and to see in-
to the peril and danger to
come, unto which sin doth
bring them, and by which
thou dost punish and cor-
rect them; not to destruc-
tion, but to amendment.
Therefore, dear God, let
me embrace Affliction as a
welcome Guest, that Sin
the cause thereof may be
more & more wasted, and
Glory the end thereof may
be more & more hastened.
Thou takest no pleasure in

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punishing thy Children is
but because thou wilt not
the death of a Sinner, but
that he may turn and live;
therefore thou punishment:
which is the chastising Rod
of a loving Father, and not
the sharpest Sword of a
severe Judge It is amend-
ment that thou lookest for,
which is the sweet fruit of
true and unfeigned Repen-
tance. But to turn to thee
in part, and not wholly, is
no Repentance: To sorrow
for sin, & to forbear sin in
time of Affliction only, is
no Repentance: To have
an inward touch for sin
without C H R I S T, is no
Repentance: Therefore, O

L e : d,

Prayers and

Lord, give me a feeling Conscience, vouchsafe me thy Grace to apprehend a perfect turning from sin; and grant unto me, I humbly beseech thee, a thorow changed and truly mortified heart, which cannot but work in me an unfeigned love of Righteousness, and a full purpose and endeavour to serve thee my good God and most loving Father, with a sincere & true-hearted Affection: And guide me, O Lord, to fly unto thee daily by Prayer, for forgiveness of my sins; for Grace to reform my ways, and for true Faith to take fast hold of mercy in Christ,

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Christ, which is the ready way to be made righteous before thee. And because (dear God) I may speedily still tread in that narrow path which is hardly found and not easily kept (thro' Satans malice, the Worlds enticements, & mine own in-born Corruption,) Let thy working grace never be wanting in me, by which I may be taught and confirmed, neither to prize of Works too high (with the Papists) nor too low (with Libertines) but to learn this for truth against both, that neither with the one must I presume to challenge Merit by my Works, nor with

Prayers and

with the other must I dare
to take liberty to live as I
list : It is manifest and plain
O LORD, that Papists de-
pend more upon Phari-
saical working, than upon
Christian believing ; and
it is true, that the loose
Libertine careth little, ei-
ther for Faith or Fruits :
And both these are flat
Enemies against the Cross
of thy dear Son, our a-
lone Saviour Christ Jesus :
The one taking upon him
to add a supply of merit
by works, to that which is
unto a man a free Gift from
thee by Grace, and a Sacri-
fice all-sufficient to satisfie
thee, and ransome us : The
others

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others cry out daily, in their most filthy and corrupt Conversation, Let us sin, that Grace may abound; & so indeed, turn the Grace of thee our good God into wantonness. Far be it from me, dear Father, to be insnared by either of these. And yet an healthful Body, a full Purse, Glory & worldly Reputation, or any Prosperity, thou knowest, are dangerous Engines to intangle an unregenerate Man; especially when a sincere Profession, when a holy Practise are of the least esteem among Men that are in fulness of Prosperity: And therefore my most

Prayers and

most gracious God) I humbly and heartily thank thy holy Majesty, in that it hath pleased thee to abridg my wealth, to abate my fulness, and to darken my transitory reputation; for though to the outward man they seem bitter and unsavory, yet to the inner man they bring the sweet and pleasant tast of Repentance not to be repented of, which is always followed with sweet fruit of amendment. And I most humbly beseech thy fatherly goodness, that as it hath pleased thee to strike at the door of my heart by these outward crosses, through the power

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power of thy blessed Spirit, and thereby to awake me out of that deep sleep of sin and security wherein into I was fallen, so as I was deprived (for the same) of all spiritual sense and feeling of Heaven and heavenly things, thro' the multitude of devouring Monsters, as Lust, Covetousness, Pride, Vain-glory, Hypocrisie, and a thousand of like nature, which were Syrene Deceivers, haunting me in the days of my Prosperity, and seeking utterly to spoil me of spiritual Life, and to pursue me to eternal Death, hadst not thou of thine infinite goodness

Prayers and

ness discover'd their slights
altered their course, and
given ability to resist the
temptation, against whose
strength, without thine
arm of defence, I cannot
possibly prevail. There-
fore, gracious God, conti-
nue to watch over me, and
look upon me still, and be-
hold me in my woful and
wretched estate; give me
wisdom from above to
fore see all dangers that
may befall unto me, a true
constant Faith to resist the
fury, and all fulness of spi-
ritual strength, that I may
hold out the Combate, and
overcome; for I long much,
O Lord, to be even estrap-
ged

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ged and free from those
snares and evils with which
I have been too much ac-
quainted, and to be a fami-
liar Companion to those
that fear thee, and to em-
brace and follow all holy
Duties which thou lookest
for, and requirest at the
hands of thy Servants, that
I may spend the rest of my
life to come, to please thee
and praise thee. Assist me,
dear Father, in this my de-
sire, give me thy continual
aid and assistance from a-
bove, to furnish and fortifie
me and my weakness; and
as by thy Grace thou hast
made me in some mea-
sure willing, so I humbly
be-

Prayers and

beseech thee to make me in
full measure able to find,
follow, and hold the way
that thou hast set before
thy Chosen to walk in.
And to this end, dear God,
let my carnal and corrupt
heart be by thy Spirit cleansed,
my flinty and stony
heart, by the dew of thy
Grace, softened, and my
ambitious and proud heart
by both thoroughly hum-
bled; that it being wholly
changed by thee & brought
into a Spiritual Temper,
and so made the Treasure-
house of good things, it
may send forth the sweet
Fruits of Holiness, to thy
Glory, the good example
of

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of others, and mine own
endless Comfort in Christ
Jesus. This being wrought
in me, O Lord, of thy mere
mercy and goodness, keep
me still in thy way, I most
humbly beseech thee, that
my desire may be augmented
daily to do thy Will,
and my ability also may
increase daily to fulfil this
desire; then let sorrow and
afflictions both in manner
and measure follow me,
and possess me so long as
thy self wilt, which are indeed
most plain and profit-
able Teachers to inform
me how vile my self am,
how vain this wretched
and wicked World is, and
that

Prayers and

that the greatest Glory,
and most pleasing Delight
thereof, are mere vanity
and vexation of Spirit.
What availeth it, O Lord,
to be in health of Body, if
a Man have a sick Soul in
him? What profit can
there be to flow in worldly
Wealth; and to want the
treasure of the Soul, which
is the Preaching of the
Word, and the Holy Spirit
of Promise to sanctifie both?
And what is all the Glory
and Reputation in the
world, if a Man want Grace
to seek after the everlasting
Glory of the World to
come? Blessed Father,
give me a sound & health-
ful

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ful Soul, and let the Body
stand loaded with what
sickness it shall please thee:
Make me to abound in the
Heavenly Treasures, and
however Earthly Treas-
ures fail me, let me be
heartily well content
therein. Lead me along
to seek after the Glory that
is Eternal, and let the fa-
ding Glory of this faithless
World light where it will,
rest with whom it will, and
leave them, and whom it
will. For he that hath all
these without thy Grace
(O God) hath but so ma-
ny burthens to hold him
down from rising up with
Christ, that he may seek
these

Prayers and

those things which are above, and he that bath for the Grace of God, though he want all these, hath sufficient. I confess (dear Father) that if thou shouldest leave me to my self, and give me over to follow the sway of my sinful heart, I should be as deeply plunged in wickedness as the worst, and become dangerously defiled with those vile and loathsome Sins where with many in the World stand miserably tainted: For naturally (unless thy Grace restrain me) I am most prone and ready to give allowance and consent to all evil, but the im-

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in moderate hearts of youth; which for the most part hinder the right feeling of this, and careless us- age doth manytimes think far of it too late: So that, in youth man is ready to flatter himself with hope of the many days, and therefore thinketh himself to have time enough to turn from wickedness; and Age is ready to defer from day to day, and make small hast to amendment. But thy Word, O LORD, teacheth Youth to look to it self in time, both by threatening and admonition; by threatening, O young man (saith Solomon) rejoice in thy youth, and let thy heart bear these

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in the days of thy youth, an-
walk in the ways of thy heart,
and in the sight of thine eyes.
But what followeth? Sure-
ly youth must know, there-
for all these the most just
and mighty God will bring
him to Judgment: By ad-
monishing in these words:
Remember thy maker in the
days of thy youth, whilst the
evil days come not, nor the
years approach wherein thou
shalt say, I have no pleasure
in them. And as a means to
bridle and restrain them,
this rule is set, *That a young*
man must redress his ways,
taking heed thereto ac-
cording to thy word. And as an
encouragement to rousen

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old Age to walk religiously, it is said by the same Solomon, *Age is a Crown of glory, when it is found in the way of Righteousness.* So that if it be found in the ways of wickedness, it is the most hateful spectacle of filthy shame, and more to be loathed and abhorred than the stains of iniquity in hot and unbridled youth. And both young & old are taught by thee to know, that he that doth unrighteousness is not of thee, and he that is born of thee, sinneth not. Therefore, Teach me (O Lord) to number my days, that I may incline my self to Wisdom.

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Prayers and

That wisdom which teacheth us to know thee, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent: That wisdom which calleth us, that we were once Darkness, but are now Light in the Lord, and commandeth us to walk as Children of Light: That wisdom which biddeth us to have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of Darkness, but to reprove them rather: That wisdom which enjoyneth us to cast off (concerning the conversation in times past) the old Man, which is corrupt through the deceivable Lusts, and to put on the new

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new Man, which, after
thee, O God, is created in
Righteousness and true
Holiness. Finally, that
wisdom which warneth
us to walk circumspectly,
not as Fools, but as Wise,
redeeming the time, for
the days are evil. Furnish me, dear Father, dai-
ly more and more, with
some good portion of this
wisdom, which may be
a Lanthorn to my Feet,
and a Light to my Steps,
to lead me in the way of
Righteousness, & to learn
me to use this World
as though I used it not,
to fly Lust, to repent me
of Sin, that this old Man,

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of sin, which I carry about me, may be crucified with Christ my Saviour; then the body of sin may be destroyed, and henceforth I may no longer serve sin, left when the Night is come of my evil passed Day, and Death shall approach to demand his due, I then look about me too late, and be taken napping as the foolish Virgins were; when as neither Tears, nor Sighs, nor Cries will then be heard, but that the just Sentence of Condemnation will be given & cannot be revoked. Deliver me, most gracious Father, from this peril, and direct

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direct me by thy Grace, to
be ever mindful of thine
afflicting Hand, that my
Soul may be humbled be-
fore thee, and reap this
comfort from the consid-
eration of mine own wic-
kedness, that it is thy un-
speakable mercy that I am
not utterly consumed. But
thou art my portion, and
I will still hope in thee, for
thou art always good to
them that trust in thee, or
to the Soul that seeketh
thee. Blessed God, let me
evermore trust in thee, and
let my Soul continually
seek after thee, & willing-
ly and joyfully wait for thy
Salvation, and when it shall

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Prayers and

please thee to think it
I humbly beseech thee
shorten these days of sin,
and speed the delivery of
this my wretched Soul out
of the loathsome Prison of
this my sinful Body, that
with the rest of thy Saints,
it may take possession of
thy heavenly Inheritance
purchased for me and all
the chosen *Israel* of God, by
the death and blood shed-
ding of the immaculate &
unspotted Lamb, Christ
Jesus. To whom, with thee,
O Father, and the Holy
Ghost, be all Praise, Power,
Majesty and Dominion,
both now and evermore.
Amen.

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A Prayer for the acknowledging of God's Goodness and Mercy unto us.

64 A Lmighty Saviour,
A how gracious hast thou been to poor afflicted Souls ? To promise them, that whosoever asketh shall receive, whosoever seeketh shall find, and whosoever knocketh, it shall be opened unto him. Doubtless, thou takest a pleasure in giving, in accepting, and in opening the gates of mercy. Behold then ! I do not only ac-
L s know-

Prayers and

knowledge this goodness
to all Mankind, but thy
particular Mercy to my
self: And whereas I find
the want even of good de-
fies, I beseech thee supply
me with thy infused Grace,
for I seek my lost self, and
I seek thee whom I have
lost: I find thee in midst of
manifold Compassions; I
find my self in the snares
of Temptations and Mis-
eries: I find thee in the
Treasure-house of thy Pro-
mises; I find my self in the
Dungeon and Prison-house
of my iniquity: I find thee
in the Sanctuary of Hea-
ven; I find my self in the
depths of Hell. Behold
then,

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then, I crave both to seek my self and thee ; my self, as having committed many grievous sins, for which I would fain be directed to the School of Repentance ; thee, as having suffered for them, yea, been brought unto death, and a most grievous passion for my sake : But seeing thou hast in mercy, by thy Promise, made thy self a Debter unto us, give me leave to challenge the performance, according to thy own appointment. Thou hast told us plainly, at what time soever a sinner doth repent him of his sins, thou wilt blot out his iniquities and

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and put away his transgressions from thy remembrance. O Lord, I do repent, and am heartily sorry for offending so good a God; and whereas like a lame Cripple, I cannot follow thee to the Heavenly Harvest, whereby I am worthy to lose my Inheritance. I cannot come to the perfection of Repentance; I fly to thy Grace to supply my defects, and I beseech thee of thy bounty, by the rich treasure of thy mercies in Christ, to cast down a favourable countenance on me, and make me partaker of all thy Promises. Amen.

Meditations.

A Prayer for God's protection
of his Church in respect
of the present troubles of it.

65 **A** Lmighty God, thou
Lord of Hosts and
Governour of all things,
whose power no Creature
is able to resist, to whom it
belongeth justly to punish
sinners, and to be merciful
to them that truly repent;
work in us, and in all thy
People, unfeigned and ef-
fectual Repentance; that
what thou seeft amiss in us,
and amongſt us, or in any
parts of thy Church, may
speedi-

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speedily and thoroughly be Flock
reformed, that which is Com-
righteous and good in thy of D
sight, may be established
and maintained, especially
in this our Land, and other
places, professing thy Truth
and Gospel. And the
mean time, while we strive
after that which may be
most agreeable to thy holy
Will, as it is revealed in thy
heavenly Word: Be mer-
ciful unto us, and bring
us on rather as thou seest
it needful, by the Rod of
thy Fatherly Correction:
Evermore also supporting
us, as our most gracious
Shepherd (whilst thy true
though weak and poor
Flock)

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be Flock) by that Staff of
is Comfort. And thou Son
thy of David, that knowest the
ed merciless condition of Sa-
lly can, and cruel men his
er cursed Instruments, we
th bumbly beseech thee, ne-
ver to deliver us over in-
to their power; but save
and defend us, and all thy
People evermore from
thy hands of all our En-
mies, both Bodily and
Ghostly; and more par-
ticularly at this time, we
earnestly beseech thee, O
Heavenly Father, by the
mediation of that thy Son
Jesus our only Mediator,
to be merciful to those
that are gone out from us,
to

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or joyn with us, or stand
out for the Truth or any
righteous Cause; and give
that issue to the present
trouble of thy Church, as
may make most for thy
Glory, the adyancement of
thy Truth and Gospel, the
relief of all thy distressed
People, in all those parts
of thy troubled Church, and
for the establishing of
Truth & Peace in this our
Land; May it please thee
once to free all our Brethren
from the dominion of that
Mystery of Iniquity, as also
still to shield and secure us
and all other professing thy
Name & Truth, from that
cruel Faction, which as if
they

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they delighted in Blood,
have already spoiled so
many Nations : Lord thou
only art the Catholick
King, we can acknowledg
no King over all the Earth
but thy self, not any uni-
versal Head over all thy
Church, but that only
Archbishop of our Souls,
thy Son Jesus, our blessed
Saviour, to whom all pow-
er is given both in Heaven
and Earth. Arise then thou
Lord, to whom the King-
doms belong, and shew
thy self, and let not the
Man of the Earth any lon-
ger exalt himself, lest he be
too proud, and lest he as-
cribe to himself, or to his
gra-

Prayers and

graven Image, or vain
dols, the Conquest thine
thou shalt see and suffice
over thy People. Not unto us,
O Lord, not unto us, but unto
thy Name be the praise.
For the honour of thy
Name arise before Ephraim,
Benjamin, and Manasseh,
before Great Britain
and other Countries that
call upon thy Name: Arise
and shew thy self for us,
for on thee only do we
call; we call on thee to
save us and our forces, and
thy People now in great
danger. How, and in what
manner, and at what time
fully to declare thy salva-
tion, we refer to thy heavenly
Wis-

Meditations.

In thy wisdom; only in the mean
time that it may please
thee to sanctifie and save,
to preserve and provide for
them and us, and all thine
both in Field, at Sea, and
City, protect, defend and
deliver them, us, and ours
at home and abroad. And
thou great Shepherd of
Israel, be pleased also to
takethown more and more
the pride of the man of Sin,
that hath and would exalt
himself against thee. Af-
fange thou the malice of
those who are Enemies to
us, or to any of thy People,
and evermore confound all
their devices, that we being
arm'd with thy defence
may

Prayers and

may ever more and more give praise to thee, we art the only Author of Peace, and giver of all glory. And all this, give Lord, for us, for them, for all thine, not for our merits, but for thy great mercies sake, and for the truth sake of thy gracious Promise in Jesus Christ our Lord and only Advocate and Redeemer; to whom with thee, O Father, and thy Holy Spirit, be all Praise and Glory, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

Meditations.

A Godly Prayer.

O Merciful Father; and Lord of Heaven and Earth, we come before thy presence to worship thee, in calling upon thy Name, and in giving thanks unto thee! And tho' our duties and our very necessity call us hereunto; yet we confess our Hearts be so dull and忘ward, that unless thou be merciful unto us, to teach us how to pray, we shall not please thee, nor profit our selves in these Duties; we therefore most humbly beseech thee to

Prayers and

raise up our hearts with
thy good spirit, and so dispose us to Prayer, that with true fervency of heart, feeling of our want & humbleness of Mind, and Faith in thy gracious Promises, we may present our Suits acceptably to thee by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. And thou, O Father of all Mercies, that hast called us unto thee, hear us, and pity thy poor Servants; we have indeed sinned wonderfully against thee, through blindness of Mind, profaneness of Spirit, hardness of Heart, Self-love, Worldliness, carnal Lust, Hypocrite,

Meditations.

sin, pride, vanity, unthankfulness, infidelity, and other our native corruptions, which being bred in us & with us, have defiled us even from the Womb, and unto this day have broken out, as Plague-Sores, into innumerable Transgressions of thy holy Laws; the good ways whereof we have too carelessly, if not willingly declined from, and have many times displeased thee, and offended our own Consciences, in choosing and following those things which thou hast most justly & severely forbidden us; and besides all this, we have too long

stood

*Prayers and
stood against the graine
means of our Conversion
or at least not stooped and
humbled our selves before
thee, as we ought; although
we have wanted none of
those helps; which thou
vouchsafest unto thy wan-
dering Children, to send
them home withal; for we
have had (together with
thy glorious works) thy
word calling upon us with-
out, and thy good Spirit
within; and have been
solicited by Promises, by
Threatnings, by Blessings,
by Chastising, and by Ex-
amples of all sorts, and es-
pecially by those wonder-
ful deliverances of our
selues*

Meditation.

above any other among thy Servants, and of our
land above any Nation
in the World, and yet our
corrupted spirits cannot
become wise before thee,
nor humble themselves, and
rightly to acknowledge
thy goodness; we will not
take heed as we ought,
and as thou most justly
dost require, and mayest
expect of us. Wherefore
(O LORD GOD) we do
acknowledg thy patience,
to have been infinite and
incorruptible, in that thou
hast been able to hold thy
hands from revenging thy
self on us thus long; and
yet pleasest to hold open

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Prayer.

The door of Grace we might come in unto thee and be saved.
Now, O blessed Lord God, we are desirous to come unto thee; how wretched soever in our selves, yet to thy very Wretchedness sends us unto thee. Thee with whom the Therless, and he that had no Helper, the Sinner and he that hath no friend finds Mercy and Grace. But we come to thee in thy Son's Name not daring to come in our own, but in thy Name that came for us. We come to thee, in his meditation whom thou hast sent him (O Father) who

Meditations.

that thou hast professed
thyself to be well-pleased,
we come unto thee; and do
we humbly beseech thee
to pity us, & to save us for
mercy sake in him. O
OUR GOD our GOD, our
hands have not out-bidden
the blood of thy holy Son,
which speaks for our Par-
don; nor can any be so
white as thou art in thy
glories. And our hearts (O
God thou seest) are desirous
to have peace with thee;
and war with our lusts, &
that they could abide
before thee, and be dissol-
led into Godly mourning.
All that filth that
doth goe through them.

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Prayer's end

and defiled them: And our
desires are now to serve
please thee, and our pur-
poses to endeavor it
faithfully. We pray the
therefore, for the Lord
his sake, to seal up in our
Consciences thy gracie
pardon for all our sin-
past, and give us to feel the
consolation of thy Gracie
shed abroad in our hearts
for our eternal Commu-
& Salvation. And that we
may know this persuasion
to be of thy Spirit, and not
of carnal presumption
(Blessed God) let those
Graces of thy Spirit, which
do accompany Salvation,
be poured out more plen-
tifully.

Meditations.

fully upon us: Increase in all Godly knowledge; Patience, Temperance, Meekness, Wisdom, Excellence, Love of thy Word with Saints, and Servants, seek for thy Glory: Give judgment to discern the difference of good and ill, and also of things present which are temporary, and things to come which are ETERNAL.

Make us yet at the last wise hearted to lay up our Treasure in Heaven; and to set our affections more upon things which are above, where Christ sits at thy right hand. And let all the vain and transitory.

Prayer.

your iusticements of
poor Life appear unto
as they are, that our hearts
may be no more intangled
& bewitched with them,
of them, O Lord God.—
GOD, who hast alwaies
brought us to thy owne Image,
give us so honest knowledge,
we may be glad to yield thee
ourselves in thine owne Image,
be thou so gracious as you
to make them up, though
we have desperately held
thee out of them in times
past, & be pleased to dwell
in us, and in our Land, and
reign in us, & among us by
thy Holy Word, & power-
ful Spirit, that we may be
sure to reign with thee in
thy

A meditation.

In thy glorious Kingdom, O Lord, according to thy Promission, we have a Right to thy Word, thine Image, and thy purchase; that is, Indemnity for all that transpires against us; and seeing thou also promisest these graces and mercies to us, art thou not requiring our industry and diligence in the use of such means as serve therefore? good Lord: Let us then so cross our Prayer for Grace, as not to seek that by diligence, which we make shew to seek by Prayer, lest our own ways condemn us of Hypocritie. Stir us up therefore (O Lord) to the frequent use of Prayer, to the often and

Prayers and
serious reading, hearing
and meditating of thy Holy
Word; teach us to profit
by the conversation of thy
People, & to be profiting
in our own. Make us willing
to apprehend all opportu-
nities of doing or re-
ceiving Spiritual Good;
Strengthen us with Grace
to observe our Hearts and
Ways, to retain them in
good order, or to reduce
them quickly. Let us ne-
ver think any Company so
good as thine, or any time
so well spent, as that which
is in thy Service, and in
beautifying of thine Image
in ourselves or others.
Particularly, we pray thee

open

Meditations.

Keep our Eyes to see our own natural Infirmities, and to discover the Advantages which Satan gets thereby. And give us care to strive most when we are most assaulted, and undamaged. And thou, O God, that hast promised to bless thy own Ordinances, bless all things unto us, that we may thereby grow in Grace, and in Knowledge, Faith, Love, and all heavenly Vertues, and so may shine as Lights in this dark World, giving good example to all men, & may at the end of our Race rest and lie down in the peace of a good Confidence etc.

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Prayers and
balmed with a good report,
it may leave thy blessing
entailed unto ours after us
for an Inheritance. These,
O Father, are our special
Suites, wherein we beseech
thee to set forth the won-
derful riches of thy Graces
towards us for Christ Jesus
sake, and as for this Life,
and the things thereof, we
crave them of thee, so far as
may be for our good, and
thy Glory, beseeching thee
to provide for us, as unto
this day, in mercy. And
when thou wilt humble or
exalt us, govern us so long
and so fair in all Conditions
and Changes, as we may
cleave fast unto thee our
Go!

Meditations.

God, unchangeable, rejoyning in thee and thy unchangeable love, above all things, esteeming thee our portion and sufficient Inheritance for evermore.

Now what Grace we crave for our selves (which are here before thy Presence) we humbly beg for all those that any way belong unto us, and that by duty or promise we owe our prayers unto beseeching thee to be as gracious unto them, as to our own Souls, & especially to such of them as in respect of any present Affliction or Temptation, may be in special need of some more speedy help

Prayers and

help and comfort from
thy mighty Hand. Yet,
our Lord God, we hum-
bly desire thee to bless
with our Prayers the
whole Church; but more
especially this Nation, and
therein the King's most
Excellent Majesty, our
Sovereign Lord, (King
WILLIAM;) also all that
be in Authority among us,
beseeching thee to follow
him and all of them, with
those Blessings of thy Pro-
tection & Direction which
may preserve them safe
from the malice of the
World, & of Satan, & may
make them in their great
places faithful to thee, for
the

Meditations.

the Good of thy Church
and People, and their own
spiritual happiness and ho-
nor, Lord look merciful-
ly on those in the Church,
that are under the Cross.
And we beseech thee to
furnish all Churches, espe-
cially in this LAND, with
faithful and fruitful Mini-
stters, and to bless their
lives and labours for those
merciful ends and rules to
which thou hast ordained
them. Sanctifie thy Peo-
ple, O God, and let them
not deceive themselves
with formality of Religion
instead of the Power there-
of; give them Grace to
profit both by thy Ea-
vours,

Prayers and

worshipped, and by those Christenments which thou hast sent, either in particular, or in general, successively, or mixed among them, or upon them. And Lord, suppress that rage of sin and prophanes in all Christian States, which breeds so much Apostacy and Defection, threatening the taking away of this Light from them. Confound, O God, all the counsels and practices of Saran and his Ministers, which are, or shall be taken up against thee and thy Kingdom of thy dear Son. Call in the dispersed Jews, and make up the fulness of the Gentiles,

Adorations.

glo, that thy Name may
be glorious in all the work,
the days of iniquity may
come to an end, and we,
with all thine Elect People,
may come to see thy Face
in Glory, and be filled
with the Light thereof for
evermore.

Grant these our humble
Petitions, good Father, for
Christ Jesus thy dear Son, our
blessed Saviour's sake: To
whom, with thee, and thy
holy Spirit, be all glory and
praise now and for ever, A-
men.

Prayers and

A Prayer to be used upon
30th. of January, being
the day of the Martyrdom
of King Charles the First.

67 **O** Most mighty God,
terrible in thy
Judgments, and wonderful
in thy doings towards the
Children of Men, who in
thy heavy displeasure didst
suffer the Life of our late
gracious Sovereign to be
this day taken away by
wicked hands; we, thy unworthy
Servants, humbly confess, that the Sins of this
Nation have been the cause
which hath brought this
heavy

Admonitions.

angry Judgment upon us;
O gracious God, when
you makest inquisition for
sin, lay not the guilt of
the innocent Blood (the
judging whereof nothing
but the Blood of thy Son
can expiate) lay it not to
the charge of the People of
thy Land, nor let it ever be
required of us, or our poster-
ity. Be merciful, be merci-
ful unto thy People, whose
son thou hast redeemed, and
be not angry with us for-
ever; but pardon us for
thy mercies sake, through
the merits of thy Son, our
Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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Prayer and

67 A Prayer to be used upon
the 29th. of May, being
the day of his Majestys birth
and happy return to the
Kingdom.

68 O God, who by thy
Divine Providence
and goodness didst this day
first bring into the
World, and didst thine also
bring back and restore
to us, and to his own just
and undoubted Rights, our
most gracious Sovereign
Lord, thy Servant King
Charles, Preserve his Life,
and Establish his Throne
we beseech thee. Be unto
him

Meditation.

him a helmet of Salvation
against the face of his En-
emy, and a strong Tower
of defence in the time of
Trouble. Let his Reign be
prosperous, and his days
many. Let Justice, Truth,
and Holiness; let Peace,
and Love, and all Christi-
an Virtues flourish in his
time. Let his People serve
him with honour and obedi-
ence; and let him so
duly serve thee on Earth,
that he may hereafter e-
verlastingly Reign with
thee in Heaven; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. A-
men.

Prayers and

A devout Prayer against the
Plague, in the time of
Common Visitation.

69 **A** Lmighty God, our Heavenly Father, whose Judgments are most severe and terrible against obstinate Offenders; but thy mercies infinite to all that with hearty Repentance and true Faith turn unto thee: We, the sinful people of this Land, whom for our Iniquities, and manifold Transgressions, thou hast in many places most justly visited with the noy-

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Meditations.

some Plague & Pestilence,
come now before the
throne of thy Grace in the
Name of thy dear Son, in
whom thou art well plea-
sed: And in confidence of
that Atonement which he
hath made for us, most
humbly beseech thee to
pardon and forgive us all
our sins in thought, word,
or deed, committed against
thy Divine Majesty; to
work in us daily more and
more, a true, hearty, and
unfeigned Sorrow, and Re-
pentance for the same; to
plant in our hearts a sin-
cere and settled Resolution
by the assistance of thy
Grace, to lead the rest of

our

Pray for us
our Lives in careful Ob-
dience to thy holy Will
all things, and so to
move from us this Plague
and grievous Sickness
we be not unerly consci-
ent by means of thy hand;
To this end, grant
good Lord, of thy Grace
and Mercy, all things con-
ducing hereunto; scat-
terable Weather, and good
Air, and wholsom Food,
and powerful Medicines
and whatever else thou
seest to be good and profit-
able for us; together with
a due Care and Confi-
dence in using of the same,
that we neither presume
nor tempt thy Majesty

By

Meditation.

by neglecting the means
which thou hast appointed,
by a despair of thy bles-
sing in the diligent use of
them; nor in any event
complain or murmur at thy
providence, what portion
ever it allots us; but that
submitting our selves to
thy good pleasure in all
things, we may commit the
keeping of our Souls to
thee in well-doing, as unto
a faithful Creator, with
compassionate pity; and
Charity (as we are told)
succouring the sick, and
preserving the whole; and
praying fervently for all;
and finally, that depending
entirely upon thy good-
ness;

Prayers and

bes, we may wait the hand
of thy gracious Deliverance in faith, and hope,
constant patience, perfect resignation,
wise and just appointment in all things, to the end
we betake our selves, for the whole Nation, and whosoever concerns us.
merciful unto us, O God,
be merciful unto us, for our souls trust only in thee,
and under the shadow of thy Wings shall be our Refuge, till this Calamity be overpast; which we beseech thee speedily to remove, if it be thy Will.
O Lord God of Mercy and Father of Compassion,

etc,

Meditations.

and I beseech thee, let the Spirit of Joy and Health once more into our dwellings, for the alone Merits sake of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

A special Remedy for a sick Soul, whereby the Sinner may recover himself from the Valley of Tears to the Hill of Joy: Or, a Meditation for the Plague.

To Lift, Fast and Pray,
I & then take a quart
of Repentance of Actions,
and put in two handfuls
of Faith in, the Blood of
N Christ,

Prayers and

**Christ, with as much hope
and charity as you can,
and put it into a Vessel
a clean Conscience; then
boyl it on the fire of Love
so long, till you see by
Eyes of Faith, the white
Foam of the love of the
World to stick in your
mooth; then scum it off
clean with the Spoon of
Faithful Prayer. When this
is done, put in the Powder
of Patience, and take the
Cloth of Christ's Innocen-
cy, and strain all together
in his Cup; then drink
burning hot next to the
heart, and cover the same
with as many cloaths of
mendicent of Life, as God
shall command.**

Meditations.

shall strengthen and enable
thee to bear, that thou
mayest sweat out all the
poison of Covetousness,
 pride, Whoredom, Idolatry,
 envy, Swearing, Lying,
 with such like. And when
 thou feel'st thyself alter'd
 from the forenamed Vices,
 take the Powder of Say-
 well, and put upon thy
 Tongue, but drink thrice
 as much Do-well daily.
 Then take the Cyl of
 Good-works and anoint
 therewith the Eyes, Ears,
 Hearts, & Hands, that they
 may be ready and nimble to
 minister to the poor mem-
 bers of Christ. When this
 is done, then in the same

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Prayers and

Name arise from sin fully, read the Bible daily, take up the Cross of Christ bodily, and stand to it manfully, bear all Visitation patiently, Pray continually, rest thankfully, and thou shalt live eternally, and come to the Highest Joy quickly. To what place hast thou us, good Lord speedily.

Meditations.

*The Prayer of King Edward
the Sixth.*

LORD God, deliver me out of this miserable and wretched life, & take me among thy chosen; howbeit, not my will, but thy Will be done. Lord I commit my Spirit to thee; O Lord, thou knowest how happy it were for me to be with thee; yet for thy chosen's sake send me Life and Health, that I may truly serve thee, O my Lord God, bless thy People, and save thine Inheritance.

Prayers and

**O Lord God, save thy
chosen People of England.
O my Lord God, defend
this Realm from Papistry,
and maintain thy true Re-
ligion, that I and my Peo-
ple may Praise thy Holy
Name. *Amen.***



**A Prayer to be used upon the
2d. 3d. and 4th. of Sep-
tember, being the day
that the greatest part of the
City of London was con-
sumed by Fire.**

72 **L**ook down, O Lord,
in the bowels of thy
mercy, upon the sorrows
and

Meditations.

and distresses of thy Servants, who in the deepest sense of thy amazing Judgments, and our own manifold provocations, lie prostrate in the dust before thee.

To thee, O God, holy and true, belong mercy and forgiveness; but unto us confusion of face, as it is this day: For we are that incorrigible Nation who have resisted thy Judgments, & abused thy Mercies, we have despised the Chastisements of the Lord, and turned his Grace into wantonness.

What shall we then say unto thee, O thou Preser-

*Prayers and
Sorrows of men?* Thou hast
found out the iniquity of
thy Servants, and discov-
ered our nakedness & pol-
lution, in a vengeance in-
tended and answerable to our
grievous crying sins. Our
pride, oppression, and sel-
fness of Bread, hath made
us like to Sodom, and thou
hast afflicted us as Ge-
rash. We should not be
reclaimed by thy exempla-
ry Punishment upon o-
thers, or our selves, and
thou hast made us a ter-
ror and astonishment to
all that are round about us.

And now, O Lord, thou
art most just in all that is
come upon us; for thou
hast

Meditation 1.

we have done right, but we
have done very wrong; we
behold we are all the
people, though we be
harmful and obstructive
people; sufficient we are
not to implant the right
and the sound in each
portion, and for thy sake
sake, for thy sake, for
Christ Jesus sake, incline
thine Ear to us, and
save us.

Above all, we beseech
thee, abandon us not to our
selves, but by what method
soever it shall please thee
to reduce us, though to
this bitter Cup of trem-
bling thou shalt add more
and more grievous afflic-
tions,

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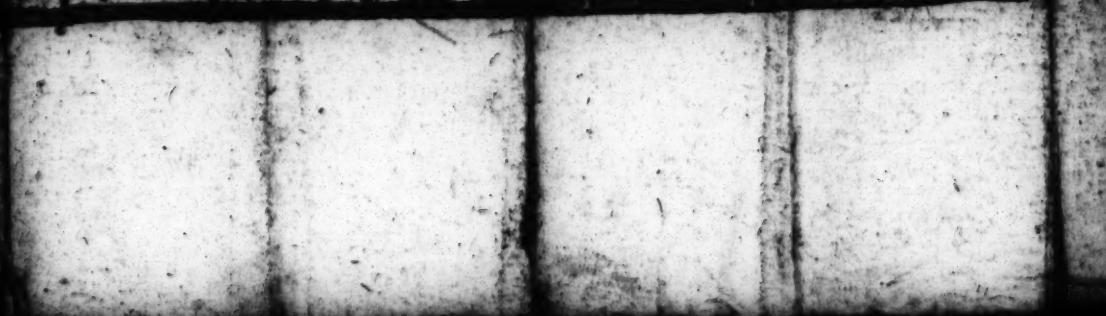
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A Discovery of our wonderfull Discontent from
the English Nation
The manner of finding out this horrible Treason (by
sense of a Letter, which for memory to Postivity) is

My Lord, our of the Law I hearre to some other. I
would advise you as you under your life, to advise
For God and Man have conspired to punish the wicked
ciment, but retire your self into your Country where
there be no appearance of any stirre yet I say, they shall re
shall not see who burn them: This counsel is not to conc
us hurtes, for the danger is past as soon as you have burn
to make good use of it, to what holy protection I come

Edward Digby, Knight	Robert Wriothesley, Esq;
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	Francis Tresham, Esq;
	Barrels of Powder, 36.
	Thomas Percy, Esq;
	John Wright, Esq;
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from the belly, and horrible Punishment Treason,

November, 165.

son (by the great goodness of God) was by the mystical
way here inserted as it was sent to Lord Mounagle.

My dear Friends, I have a care of your preservation: therefore
I devise some excuse to shooe off your attendance at the place,
the wickedness of this time: and think upon right of this winter
where you may expect the greatest safety; for surely
you shall receive a terrible blow this Parliament, and yet they
will be concerned, because it may do you ill, and can do you
harm, burn the Letters; and I hope God will give you success
in commend you.

Robert Winter, Esq;

Thomas Percy, Gent.

Thomas Winter Gent.

John Wrights, Gent.

Faggots to cover them, 500. The Bellius, 1600.

Christopher Winter, Gent.

John Grant, Gent.

Robert Keys, Gent.

Guy Faulk esquires, Gatesbie, Men:



**THE
MEMBRAN
OF
God's Wonders
DELIVERANCE
OF this
LAND**

*He who
will be
the God of
this land*

Psalm 102:12

*Lord open our
eyes to see thy
wondrous works*

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WE thank thee, O my God, we humbly beseech thee, this our poor, but hearty Thanksgiving, for thy gracious Providence over us, and thy wonderful deliverances. We acknowledge if thou didst dealt in Justice according to our sins, yet by thy provocation, thou mightest have sent off Branch and Root, like a wild olive-tree up hill, and stricken at one clasp, so far as to overthrowing our presumptions against thee, thy wonderful protection had not been over us; which had not been let us a warning. For our enemies were determined w^t they



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they had buried him deep, as it is said, in
make up of Hell with
Hell and the pit for his
winter dwelling. They
had made him a
million of crowns of gold
Crown him King of
Lord of all the world, yet
they made him a man of
affiance, and he was filled
with the spirit of
Lord of all the world,
ons were born, and collected
in darkness and dismay
Plot 15th March 1605
out. But this is all, O Lord
didst see their villainy
and thine ears did hear
Cry, not often, nor
nothing, but often unto
minics,

Thankful.

mines, which thou hadst
laid on us; nor thou brok
the bounds of the commandments,
and caused thy state to
be a curse of curse among men,
and laid it strongly so, making
them less than the creatures
of sin against thee, or the
people which fear thee.
We thank thee by Name
which delivered it, even in
our King, our Queen, our
Princes, our Nobles, and
the whole race of a
nation to be a temple in
theament of that house
from the power of dark-
ness, and from the Fiery
temple, which was pre-
pared for us not to make
brick, but either Brick or
nothing.

Rememberance.

nothing of us. How did we
then see, what we saw, when
we had heard out of thy mouth
word? That before they
cry, thou will have said
while they yet speak unto
thee help. O how often are
they to them the call of
thee, even to all such as
call on thee. With
surely thou will hear their
cry, and will save them.
Loud then is the voice of
the sound of thy power.
Sing of me too, and I will sing
of thee. And when I have done
this part of thy song, then
that thou mayest have
done this part of thy song
on it, so as to say, my
sister Wachman, let us
have done this part of thy song.

that strict I deneth,
whole care of us can
be given to us propred by
wicked and wealthy
of the earth, or fruit
by a good and
Fright of Hell? What,
Lord, is the zeal of
Saints past, that
would we set up
such a company
Heaven in Hell
No, no, the Lord will be
in the fire that consume
on world, that would be
be in more misery. Worse
what a desolation and
misery had fallen upon us
thou hast not seen
our house when All
up against us! They
swal-

References.

followed, taking ground,
till the same were forwarded
and distributed in Europe,
then had the author
written to Dr. John Wesley,
and the other preachers,
but, before he could do so,
should would give
passed the death-bed,
found him in a state of
and tranquillity,
everlasting. From which
our Lord's servant had
been called down; our
whole life into sin,
and utter debasement;
had (as we had no justly
deserved) been (scarcer than
as Sodom), we had been
made like unto Gomorrah;
Zion, and Jerusalem, had dwelt
in

Theophilus
in our Houses, Superstitiously
we had it say, in
Cupboard and Cellar so
placed in our Land,
implanted by common
Custom, that the Disease
should be removed,
and removed and
heal'd which the Man
comes from a Chemistry
should be made in our
Houses and placed
so blow it upon him,
then he will suppose them
with a cold and by
the force of them feel
in their long time from
their own Houses, where
they were hatching them
chief for us all to
make

Ramifications.

make wood a colour to
hide their miseries truly,
found permitted by his
tree.

The Millennium, 23
powder, Wood, and Fire,
which they prepared for
the Devil's camp, by the
time he met them de-
stroyed. Now as thou art
often made bare thy body
unto me, and we will find it
stretched out for our woe-
ful deliverance, so do
thou make it a banner,
good Word, unto all our
Neighbours, yet unto all
the world may see that
thou art our Saviour, and
with us learn to put their
trust in thee, and rebuke it
dead.

Thankful

destruction may be winging to the rest of these
perverse brood, speedily to
leave their damnable way,
lest they follow thence
destruction. But if it be
that are received as a gift
out of the Space of the
Towier, the Sonnenbrod
and we are delivered from
which fragrance and most
sweet deliverance of the
fifth of November. 160
Let us and our Country
SET ASIDE with Bonfires,
Trumpets, Shawms, and
Fifes, laud and praise the
holy Name, on the Fifth
of November yearly for
ever: and let us not only
keep one day yearly in our

pub-

Response.

publick Congregations to
raise thy great and glo-
rious Name; but let us all,
which at least we get live-
ing by that presentation, be
never forgetful, privately
to acknowledge before
thee, and unto thee, that
thou art the Almighty, and
never-failing Saviour of all
that put their trust in thee,
and let those that come
after us, praise thee for
us, from Generation to
Generation, forever and
ever. *Amen.*

After the close of the
service, the people were
advised to go to the Tabernacle
where a pulpit, with several
seats and a desk, was set up
wherein the pulpit was placed
upon a platform, and the
people were seated in rows
upon the floor, and upon
the platform, and upon
the steps leading up to it.

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of his might & power
which he did for us
in the days of old
visiting us in the flesh
unto us he cometh.
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74 O LORD our God
how glorious
excellent is thy Name
Whole strength and power
erects to the uttermost
parts of the Earth
and whole wonders
wrought upon the same
and Miracles upon the same
Land ; at whose anger the
Heavens fly, the Earth doth
solves, and the Seas make
a noise : Who dost com-
mand the raging Tempest,
and

Remembrances.

I still left the blustering
Winds, making them the
Instruments to fight a-
gainst thy Enemies, and to
be helpers of thy Servants;
who by the watery Ele-
ments shew'dst thy Power,
and declaredst thy strength
when we were beset with
fear, our Beacons burning,
our Soldiers marching,
our Counties mustering,
our Armies incamping,
our Ships preparing; when
we were even faint with
sorrow, and fear over-ran
the Land, when our En-
emies Gallies, Galliaffes,
and Ships came with full
sail for to assail us with
their murthering Picces,

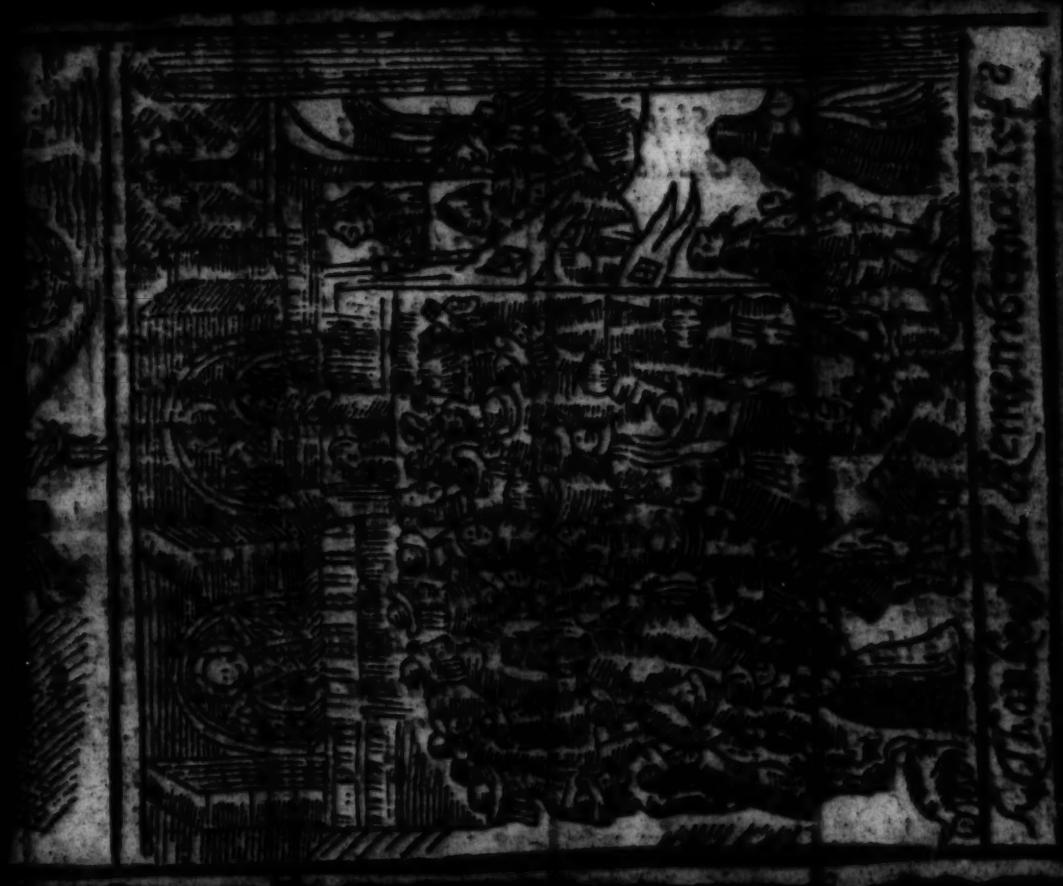
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and

more mortals
wiser for to destroy
whole multitudes,
brought their Whims
to urge us, their Sins
brought us out for slaves,
their invincible Navy
surrounded us in: But
they swelled in
Pride, and grew confident
in their arm of War.
When they had even
light upon our Land,
espoused all their own
shame even when they
were in Expectation pre-
tendly to take our Land
from us, and in assurance
of their presumption to lay
our strong Men, and more
pure our young Men, to
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Dörfer und Mönchen, mehr 4900 Hörse, 10.000 Einwohner, 8.000 Betten. Bungenstift, 30 km. südlich, unter Starnberg, Weihenstephan und

Remembering

with our Wives, and our
four our Virgins, to
victory over all, and to
tyrannize and glut themselves
with our Blood
when they thought all
their own, their Ships,
their Anchor, their Navy being
captured and conjured away
for our utter destruc-
tion; Then, O Lord our
spirit Heavenly Father, we
pleased thee to let
down from thy glorious
Throne, on us miserable
Wretches, and to remem-
ber the glory of Man
called on among them, and
therefore at that time
to put such courage into
the heart of our exiles;

O 2nd MARCH

Thankfull

rowned Elizabeth, the
Kingly Queen, as in Person
to go forth to visit her
Royal Army, and
encourage her Souldiers
which then attended
Enemies approaches. Then
then (O Lord) when we
could make our selves
strong only by Prayer
thee, and cryed and call'd
for thy help and succour,
then it pleased thee to
give Valour to our Cap-
tains, to give wit and un-
derstanding for good Pro-
jects and worthy Inven-
tions; yea to make the
Winds, the Fire, and the
Air, with the Waves and
Waters & all to be on our
sides.

Remembrances.

the Sides, and to fight the Battle
well for us thy poor unworthy
Servants, and then by
thy gracious Providence
thou didst put fear in our
Enemies hearts; and the
better to cause that we
might know it to be thy
doing, even at Midnight,
when we could not see to
fight, thou sentest a gale
of Wind to carry Flame
of Fire for us to get Victo-
ry upon the Water, against
our Enemies: For the
which most happy Victory
desirous to shew our
thankfulness to thee (O
Lord of Hosts) as then we
had our Enemies Banners
displayed in the chiefest

O 3 preach-

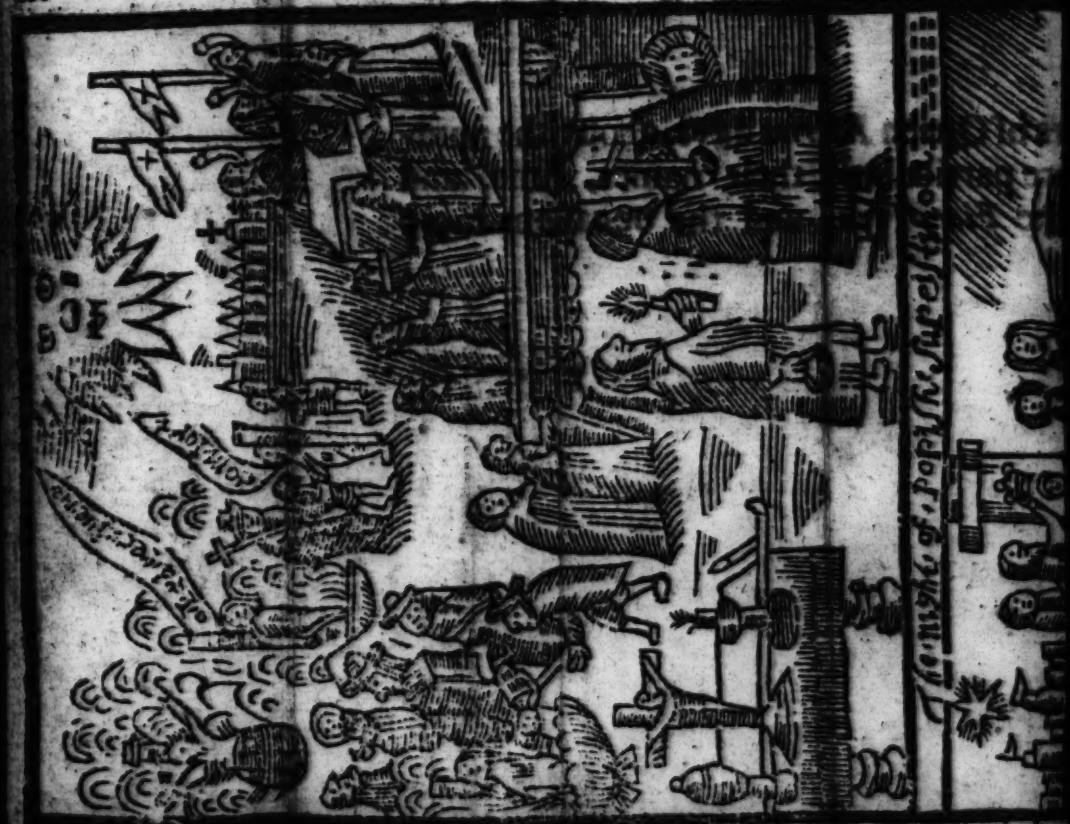
Thankful
Singing place of
Praise or Sung an Heaven
With a Mouth of praise to
Sing to thy Name in
Publick Assemblies
Every one for our own
Country are ever bound
toe in mind, how we
are in want of Men. If
you will wrought in this
place of this
country that proud Navy
of the French Spaniards and
Italy speaketh thy glory
from one Generation
to another, both in
land for evet. And.

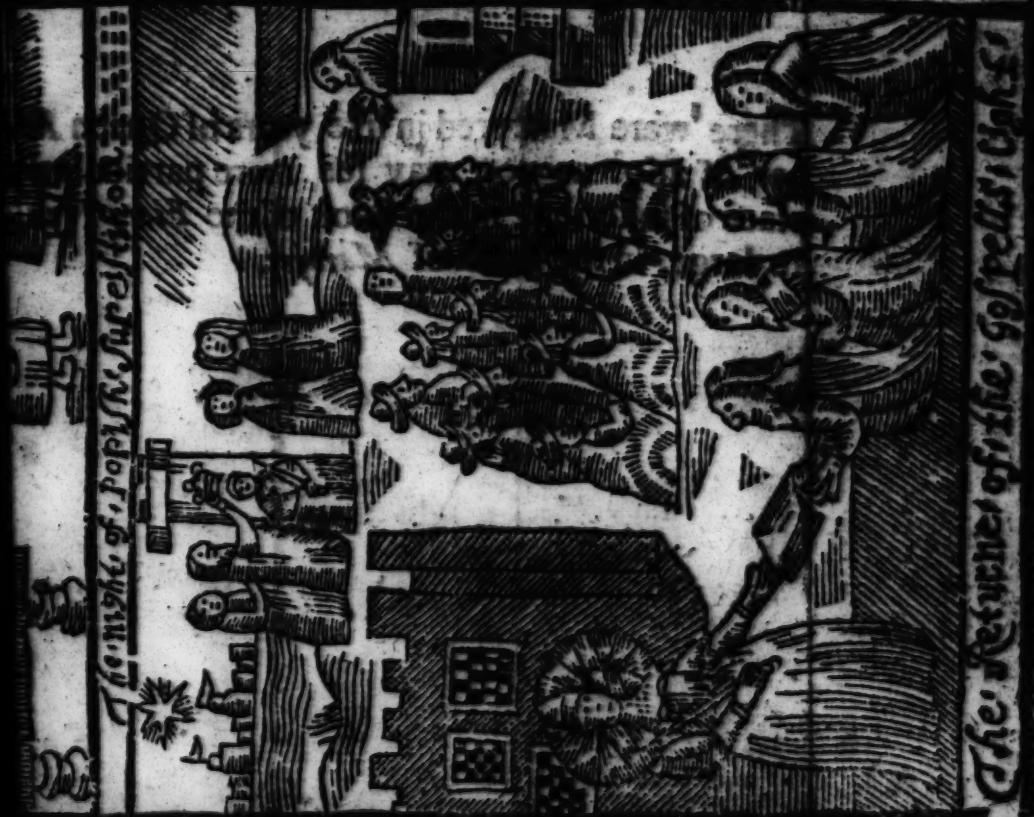
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The promise of, popish superstition

After regeneration of life, get better usage

There were Martyred in the years of Queen Mary's
reign of 260. as you may see more particularly their
names of suffiters, in the book of the *Fifty Martyrs*, and
at large, in the Book of Martyrs.

the Martyred in five years of Queen Mary's days, about the number
and you may see more particularly their names, time, and
martyrdom in the book of the *Fiery Trial*, and the occasions more
in the Book of Martyrs.



A Thanksgiving for
the Deliverance of this Land
from Popish Oppression
and Tyranny.

79. **O** Lord God, we acknowledge
we come late with our
offerings, so that we do not
that thou shouldest have
no respect either to us
or us. For until we
stricken with some
more danger, we did
do in particular harm to
our selves, nor then as we
ought, for former deliver-
ances : Fear of more trouble
make us a little to remem-
ber the Powder-Plot
noise of new and old

Thankful

Preparation to War, and
destruction, have forced us
to recollect that most sa-
vage Massacre of the Peo-
ple of this Land, intended
by that Spanish Armada,
and so are we desirous
now to insinuate with
thee, O Almighty God,
for new favours, by
driving more particularly,
every man some way to
remember and acknow-
ledge thy former mercies:
and yet there was a deli-
verance beyond these al-
ready mentioned, from the
Tyranny of Popish Super-
stition and Idolatry, of
which we have not yet
thought, or at least not
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us;
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Remonstrance.

yet in this our special
thanksgiving acknowledged.
For in the Year 1605.
had not the Lord been on
our side, when Men rose
up against us, they had
then swallowed us up
quick; when their wrath
was inflamed, and the Fire
almost kindled; yet that
Fire had not reached our
Bodies, and thou (O God)
couldst have delivered us
in that Fire as thou didst
the three Children, then
it should not so much as
have scorch'd our cloathes;
yea, thou didst so deliver
us; and more, when as the
Actors themselves were
licked up with the flames.

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Silently

of their own Fire: But
there was a Fire that struck
at our Souls, not only the
famous burning Fire of
Hellgatory, but the Fire
of Spiritual Whoredom
and Romish Idolatry, that
would even have reached
over-reached our Soul's;
the fury thereof would
have drunk up our Spirit;
yea, all the true pious Gra-
vess of thy good Spirit in
us. In his deliverance in
the year 1588, the Waves,
sea, the proud Waves, al-
though they threatened
horribly, yet could they
not have drowned our
Bodies: But in the swel-
ling time of Popery there
were

Remembrances.

were proud Waves, that did, and would still have gone over our Souls, yea, those proud Waves of blind Superstition and Popish Tyranny would have gone over our Souls. What thanks can we render unto thee (O God) that didst not still give us over as prey into those Teeth whereby Death and Hell would have gnawn upon us, and never consumed us? Praised be thy Name, O Lord, who didst then save some of our fore-fathers by plucking them as brands out of that Fire, as Lot out of Sodom, thou didst save them from the Spiritual

Thankful.

Spiritual Deluge, as Noah
and his Sons from the
drowning of the whole
World: Praised be thy
Name for them. But what
praise can we yield unto
thee, O Lord, sufficient for
our selves, to whom thou
haft continued this Rescue
now more than from one
Generation to another, &
still continuest it? Our best
thanks, O Lord, are less
than the least of thy other
Mercies in delivering us
from temporal dangers.
Then loe hear a Reason,
Lord, why we have been
so long, and must be still as
good as mute and still,
in this great deliverance
from

Remembrances

from the eternal ruine of our Souls, because we can never sufficiently praise thee for those favours of Eternity, till we come to Eternity, there to praise thee for ever and ever: Yet in the mean time, O Lord, we desire to acknowledge the Glory of thy Grace: And we may be able to conceive and consider it.

The *Marian* days of Persecution were fierce and cruel; in them thou didst hide thy Face from thy Church in this Land: But it was but for a moment in comparison of the Mercy which followed in

Thankful

in the days of blessed Elizabeth, that great Instrument of thy Glory, and our good. The People did then bide themselves in their Chambers, nay, in the Dens and Caves of the Earth, with the old Saints. But it was but for a very little time, in respect of the time, wherein thou hast enlarged us, and brought us forth into the spacious Liberty of the Sons of God; when thou didst bring her from the Prison to the Palace, and not only as Joseph, to be a Prince in Egypt, but to be a Queen of thine own peculiar People, when thou didst bring

Remembrances.

bring back her captivity
and ours, as the Rivers in
the South; then was this
our Church as in a dream;
and when we saw it was
truth, then were our
Mouths filled with laugh-
ter, and our Tongues with
joy. And though the Mi-
chals of Saul's House may
deride and scoff at those
devout Exultations, and
divine Raptures of thy Ser-
vants, yet let us with holy
David be content to be
more vile in their sight
while thou shalt please to
continue their burthen ;
and that our Songs, which
we make to thee in our
own Land, and our Rejoy-
cinga

Thankful

sings in thee, may prove
more burthensome to
them: And, good Lord, do
not thou ever suffer our
thankfulness to fall so low,
as to make thee cut off thy
loving-kindness in displea-
sure, or our sinfulness to
grow so high as to damp
the light of thy Gospel a-
mongst us, or to cause thy
hand to remove our Can-
dlestick, but make it firm,
O Lord, by thy power, and
enlarge the light thereof
into all the congregations
of this Kingdom. Let it also
break into their houses that
shut their doors, and into
their hearts that shut their
eyes against it. And for the
better

Remembrances.

better promoting hereof, as thou didst bless that Patriarch of the Church, great *James*, our late dread Sovereign, as the Man of thy right hand, and didst send him among us to continue the Light of thy Gospel, from the days of that famous *Elizabeth* till now; so we beseech thee moreover, to bless his Son our gracious Sovereign of happy being, that he may defend us in the same until his Death: Bless also the Heir of his Crown, Prince *Charles*, and at the last commend it to those that come after, in no less, but rather greater lustre. Good Lord

Thankful A.

Lord make this his only
Well as thy Son, and as thy
pleasant Child, that he may
take delight in thee, and in
the remembrance of thy
great and holy Name. Let
thy Name be to him as a
Strong Tower, to which he
may always resort, O gra-
cious Lord God, do thou so
establish the King's Throne
for his Posterities in Truth
and Judgment, that they
may not only be constant
in the professing, but strong
in promoting of thy Truth,
for defence of thy Faith,
and the maintenance of all
just and righteous Causes,
so shall thy Glory be great
in their Salvation, and
our

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Our Salvation great by thy
Majesty of thy Grace, which
by them thou shewest us.
And so shall we, and ours
after us, offer Sacrifices of
praise and thankfulness to
thy glorious Name, from
Generation to Generation,
for evermore. *Amen.*

*A Thanksgiving for the miracu-
lous stay of the Plague
and our gracious preser-
vation from it, 1625.*

76 O Father of Mercy and God of all Consolation, our only hope and succour, which art still (as ever) our help in time of need, our refuge at all times: Upon the bended knees of our Souls we give thee most hearty thanks for all thy unspeakable blessings with which thou hast continually preserved us, and for thy gracious Providence over us unto this day. Let us remember before

fore thee the times of our distractions, when with frightened horror we did run and fly for our lives in the sight of death, and thy destroying Angel, which thou hadst set with his drawn Sword in the midst of our great City, & in divers parts of this Land; yet as we fled, knowing we could not fly from thee, & finding oursins hang fast on us, we looked every hour to fall into the Pit, or to be reached by thy hand. Heaven indeed stood open to receive the Godly, and happy they that went thither; but Hell gaped also to receive the Wicked and Ungodly, and woe to them!

Thankful

them for ever. The Bell
were still tolling to call
some or other to their last
home, & our hearts always
trembling for fear of our
selves, or our eyes weeping
for loss of our Friends:
wheresoever we went, at
home or abroad, griefs and
lamentations were our
Companions, sighs & sobs
our Comforter, whilst woe
and misery were our daily
Objects. The dross of this
World was then worth
nought; we would have gi-
ven all that we had, so we
might have bribed Death,
& taken any condition for
longer Life: But no Man
might ransom himself, or
re-

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redeem his Brother. The
raging Pestilence took a-
way the rich with the poor,
the young with the aged, &c
leaving our houses desolate
did fill our Sepulchers with
the Dead. But now when
thine Angry Countenance
had a while been bent a-
gainst us to make us look
back upon our selves, and
we were almost past hopes;
when in our judgment the
flying sickness was most
likely to scatter further into
all parts of the Land, then
when we were in the midst
of this misery, thou re-
membred it thy mercy, then
thou of thy great goodness,
& free favour, turn'dst thy
fury

Thankful

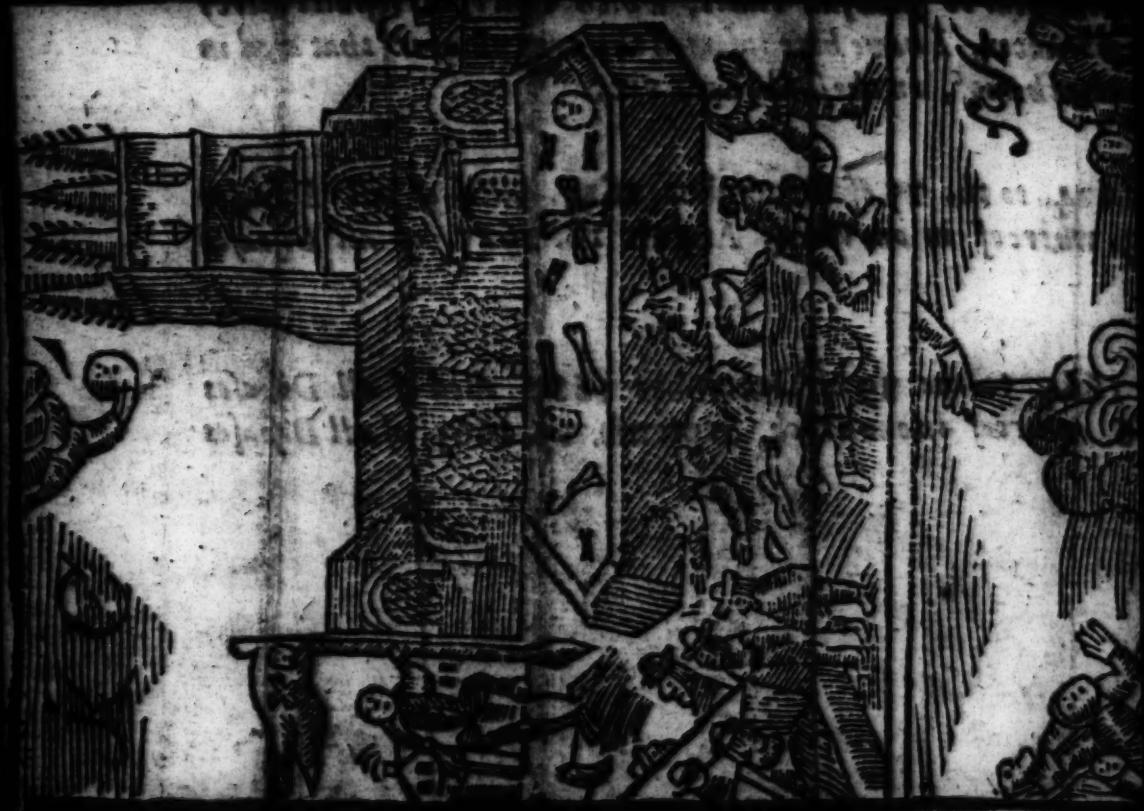
fury to clemency; & without
in Justice thou mightest
have swept us all from the
face of the Earth, & never
more to let us have been
People, then command
thou the slaying Angel
sheath his Sword, & in the
midst of this our desolation,
it pleased thee most
wonderfully to command
health and salvation, & to
restore us suddenly to joy the
and gladness. We saw thy great
mercies, O Lord, & how
to surpass our hope; and although
the World doth see and doth not
know that thou art more
merciful, than we can be, & we
thankful, thou hast restored us
red health & comfort again.

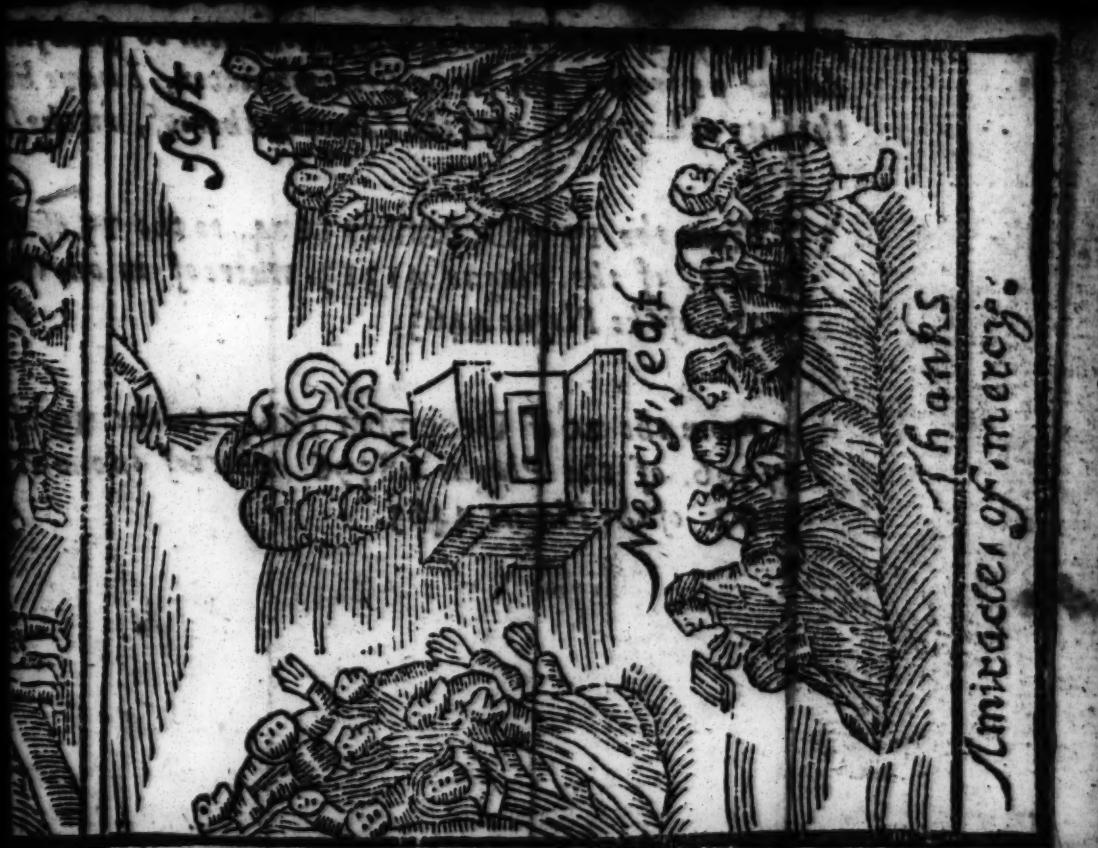
Rememberance.

unto us, and given yet another day to thine irreconcileable Servants; thou hast forced us conditionall grace, if we shall not now be unmindful of them. Lord make every one of us whom thou hast preserved from, or delivered out of the jaws of Death, wifely careful to make a right use of this respite, & to redeem the time, that none of us return with the Dog to his Vomit, to run any longer after those sins that formerly we ran from our houses, or from our dearest Friends; & will if we go on in them without repentance, surely unwich a vengeance, whereby

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Thou art our strength, O Lord,
Our helper, and our shield;
To Thee we commit our souls.
Save us from the prevailing sin,
And in delivering us
From them that rage
Against us, and scold over us,
In their fear, that we
Shall stand by favour
Of our Lord God,
And of thee, make
Us continually mindful
Of thy mercy to our fathers,
And of thy wonderful deliverance
Of our Land, from
The curse of sickness, and
The affliction; and accept
This offering, this our
Offering, where
We lay up our





Mercy! Sect

Shanks
Amidst scenes of mercy!

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Shanks
Amidst scenes of mercy!

To the Prophets, and their prophecies relating to Judgement
and deliverance from ; and for a Remission of sins, I have
in the City of London, and the Liberties thereof, in

From the 17 of December 1664. to the 15
of January 1665. of the Plague 41313. whereof in one
day 2505. of the Plague 4463.

From the 20 of December 1664. to the 11
of January 1665. of the Plague 68596. whereof in one
day 3297. of the Plague 4463.

to the 15 of December 1625. died of all Diseases
thereof, I have here inserted the true number that died in
the year thereof, in the said Town, viz.

1624. to the 15 of December 1625. died of all Diseases
thereof in one Week, August 18. 1625. of all Diseases

1624. to the 19 of December 1625. died of all Diseases
thereof in one Week, Septemb. 15. 1625. of all Diseases

Rememberances,
with these our most hearty
Thanks and Prayers unto
Thee, in the Mediation of
Jesus Christ our Lord and
Saviour. Amen.



Another thanksgiving for the
Stay of the Plague, and our
deliverance from it, 1665.

177 **W**E will magnifie
thee, O God,
our King, and will praise
thy Name for ever and
ever; because in the day
of wrath, remembred merci-
cy, thou hast delivered us;
Sould from death, and pre-
served us from the annoy of

Thankful

Pestilence. It is not for our
righteousness, O Lord, nor
for the cleanness of our
Hands in thy sight, that
when Thousands better
than our selves have fallen
besides us, and Ten Thou-
sands at our right hand, de-
struction has not come nigh
us, but we yet remain alive,
as it is this day. Tis thou, O
Lord, who dost wound and
heal again, killest and mak-
est alive, bringest to Hell
and back from thence.
Thou hast vouchsafed a-
above all humane Aids and
Means, such is thy Power
& Goodness, to command
thy Angel to stay his hand,
and spare us. Where-
fore

Remembrances.

fore offer up unto thee at once, the oblation of hearty thanksgiving for this our great deliverance, and of humble and earnest prayes for all those that are yet afflicted, beseeching thee for thy Son Jesus Christ his sake to be gracious unto them & us, that both they and we in joynt affliction, may acknowledge the Justice of thy Punishment, and Record thine infinite Mercy in sparing us miserable sinners: And this we do in the Name of thy Son, and our Saviour, towbom, with thee, and the Holy Ghost, be all praise & glory now and ever. Amen.

Successor: P 3 Almighty

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as god soever quere to be
A llmighty God, who in
thy late dreadful Vi-
tation, hast covered with
thy Hand, thine Anointed
Servant our gracious Sov-
reign Lord King James, so
that no evil has happened
unto him: And also hast
compassed with thy mer-
ciful protection, the Queen
and the whole Royal Fa-
mily, so that no Plague has
come nigh their Dwelling:
We acknowledge with all
thankfulness this thy di-
stinguishing, conspicuous
Mercy vouchsafed at once
unto his Majesty and his
Dominions: Beseeching
thee to continue still thy
gracious

Remembrances.

gracious goodness towards them, to the glory of thy Name, and the welfare and prosperity of thy Church; and this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. *Amen.*

F I N I S.

Verbes of MAN'S MORTALITY.

With others.

Of the hope of his RESURRECTION,

Like as the Damask Rose you see,

Or like the Blossom on a Tree,

Or like the dayy Flot on the sea,

Or like the Morning light,

Or like the sky, or like the sea,

Or like the ground where we stand,

Even such is Man, whose thread is spun,
Brought off, and cut, ^{Q. 106} And so is done.
The Roll wavers, the Billows blather,
The River fades, the Morning bathes,
The Sun sets, the Shadow flies,
The Gourd consumes, and Man he dies.
Like to the Grass that's newly sprung,
Or like a Tale that's now begun,
Or like the Bird that's here to day,
Or like the peacock of May,

Or like a peacock's; And his Antiquity.

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On

Or like an Eagle; or, like a Swan;

Or like the Singing of a Swan.

Even such is Man who lives by Breath,
Wholly, now there, in life and death.

Then said the Tale is ended,

and said it now, the Dewy Incubus,

When he had spelt him long,

thus saying, next year, Man's life is done.

Each day, it was, in his quiet room,

Life

Like to the Bubble in the Brook;
Or in a Glass, much like a Look;
Or like the Shuttle in Weaver's hand,
Or like the Writing on the Sand,
Or like a Thought, or like a Dream,
Or like the Gliding of the Spirit;
Even such is Mao, who lived health,
Is here, now there, in life and death;
. The Bubble's cut, the Look forgot,
The Shuttle's flung, the Writing blotted.

The

Power of Man's Mortality.

With Thought is past, the Dream is gone,
The Water glide, Man's life is done;
Like to an Arrow from the Bow,
Or like a course of water flow,
Or like that time, 'twixt Flood and Ebb,
Or like the Spider's render Webb,
Or like a Curse, or like a Gob,
Or like a Dumb of a dole,

Even

Even such is Man, whose brittle slate
Is always subject unto Fate;

The Arrow's shot, the Flood soon spent,
The Time no Time, the Web soon rent,
The Race soon run, the Gole soon won,
The Dale soon done, Man's life soon done;
Like to the Lightning from the Sky,
Or like a Post that quick doth hie,
Or like a Quaver in short Song,
Or like a Journey three days long;

Or

OLYMPIC VERSES ON MIMI'S MORTALITY.

OLYMPIC VERSES ON MIMI'S MORTALITY.

Or like the snow when Summer's come,
Or like the Peat, or like the Plum.
Even such is Man, who heaps up sorrow,
Lives but this day, and diek to morrow.
The Lightning's past, the Post must go,
The Song is short, the Journey's so,
The Peat doth rot, the Plum doth fall,
The Snow diff'ret, and so must all.

Verba

Verſes.

On MARY'S RESURRECTION.

20 VINTAGE OF THE BIBLE PLATE.

The God he ſed put in Earth's womb;
Like dead Lazarus in his Tomb,
Or like Zebitha being lame,
Or lame like within the deep,
Like the Night or Starry Day,
Which ſeem to vanish clean away; Even

Open my Eyes on Man's Resurrection.

Even so this death Man's life believeth,
But being dead Man death deceiveth.
O The seed it springeth, Laz'rus standeth,
Tribula waketh, and Jonas landeth,
This Night is past, the Stars remain,
So Man that dies shall live again.

Maryam wife with

The

The BELMANS' SONG.

For the Fifth of November

79. A Wake Britain's Subjects all with one accord,
Extol and Praise, and Magnifie the Lord.

Humble your selves, and with Devotions sing
Praises of thanks to God for our most Gracious King.
This was the Night, when in a darksome Cell,
Treason was found in Earth, but hatch'd in Hell. And

The Bell Man's sound for the Fifth of November.

And had it took effect, what would avail our sorrow !
The train being laid to have blown's up o'th' morrow.
Yet God, our Guide, reveal'd the damned Plot,
And they themselves destroy'd, and we were messe
Then let us not forget him thanks to render,
That hath preserv'd and kepr our Faith's Defender.

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The BISHOP'S SONN'D. LVI. 2.

THE Night's well spent, the day draws nigh;

Awake from sleep and sin desir'd.

All sluggish sloth expel away,

Have still in mind the Judgment Day,

When Dead shall rise, and Trumpets Call,

The Graves shall open wide withal,

Awake from sleep, awake from sin,

With voice and heart to call on him.

Who

Who from above plead'd to descend,
From Satan's Malice unto defend.

Our forfeit Spous to that rich Grace;

Whence we may still behold his Face;

Let us repair, and God implore,

That henceforth we transgres no more,

And that our joy be at this side;

That we in him be satisfied:

Then shall we all for his dear sake

Be blest & happy, be left unspare.

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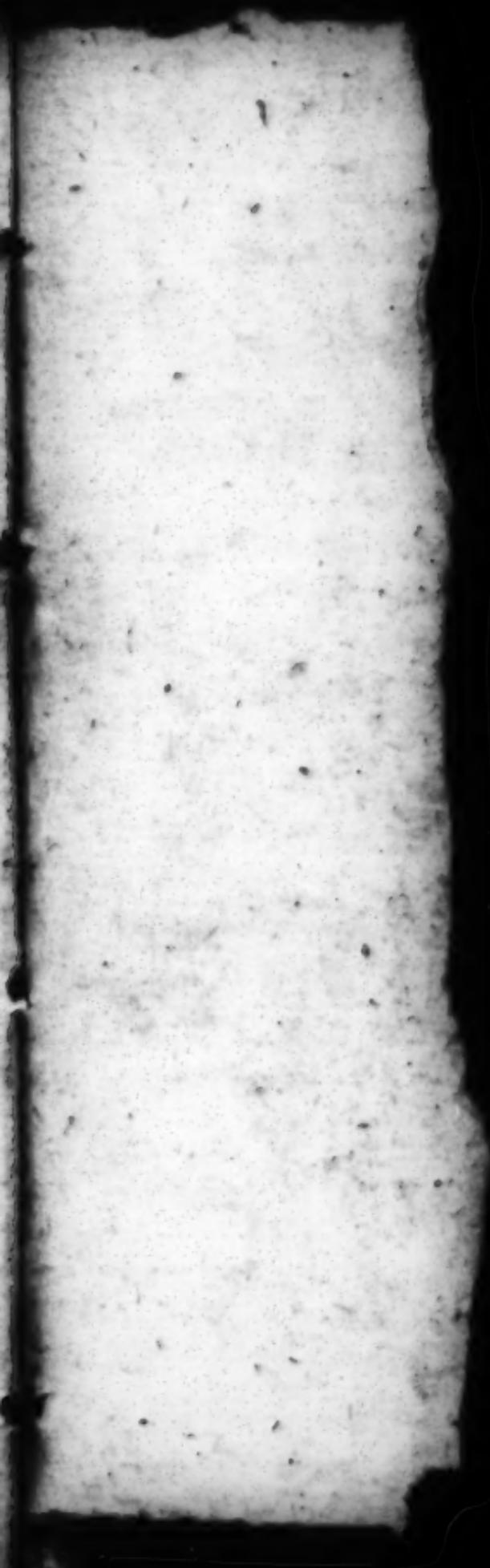
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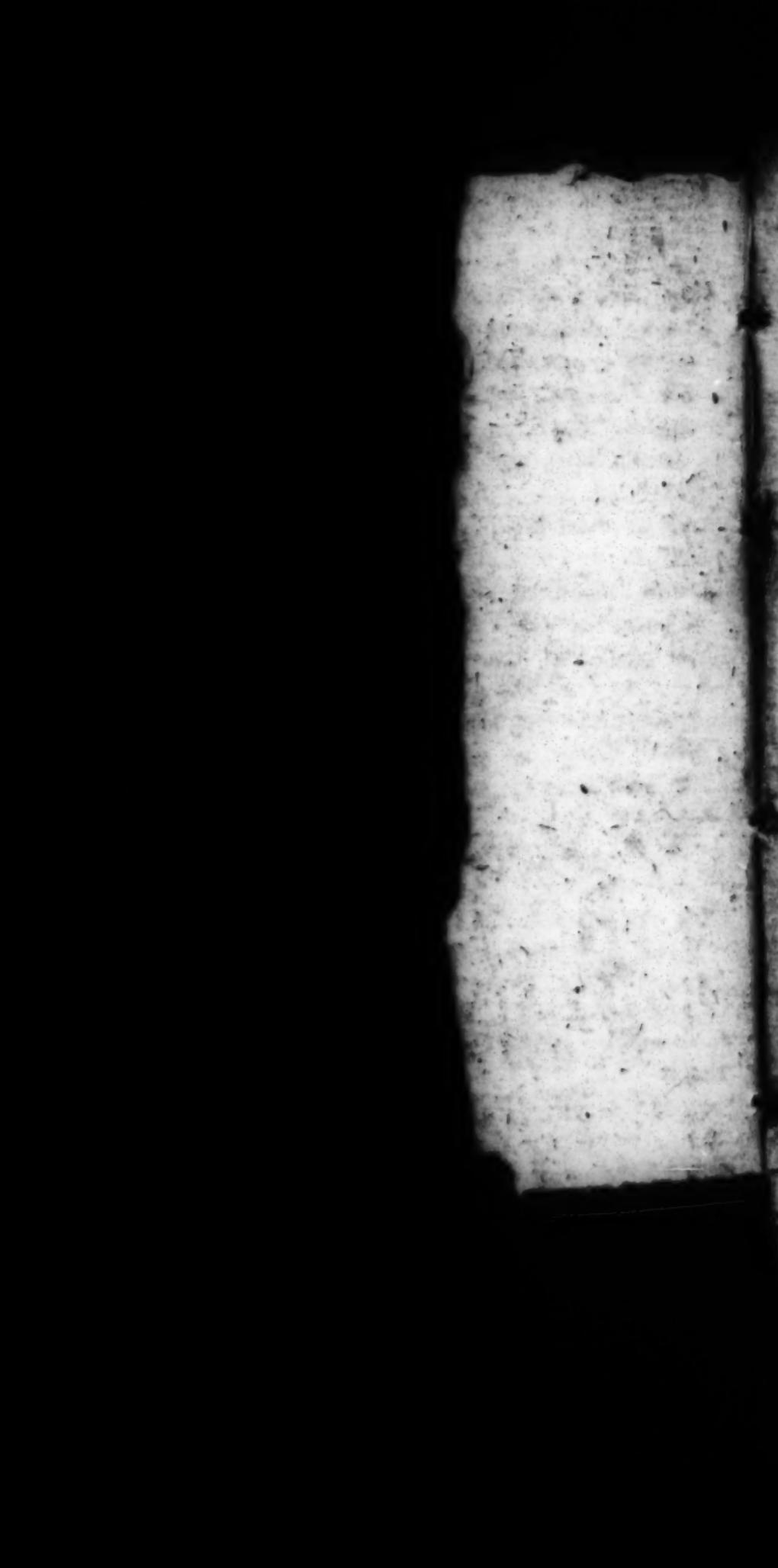
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